

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.
Boston, Massachusetts

ANNUAL MEETING

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FULL FORM CEREMONIAL

Friday, January 27, 1956

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**YOUR 1956 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ABOVE CEREMONIES.
IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, YOU SHOULD OBTAIN IT BEFORE JANUARY 27th.**

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

Enter at 99 Huntington Avenue for Afternoon Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 25, 1956 (two working days before the meeting)

BUFFET DINNER - - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Nobles of Aleppo - No Charge — Visiting Nobles - \$2.00

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**EVENING BUSINESS MEETING AND ANNUAL ELECTION
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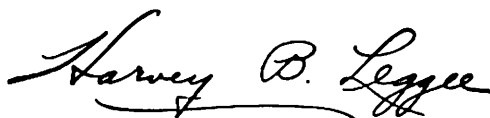
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Attest:



Recorder



Illustrious Potentate

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Section 206 of Article 24 of the Code of the Imperial Council. The printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets or other devices, by a Noble or Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section the Imperial Potentate shall suspend the offending Noble, or Nobles, until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, and he may, in his judgment declare the election of such officer or officers void and order a new election. The Recorders of Temples shall mail a notice of the annual session and election to all members of the Temple at least one week prior to the date of said election, and said notice shall contain this Section.

A Message from Your Potentate



Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay

ALEPPO TEMPLE will usher in another year at its Annual Meeting Friday, January 27, 1956. As our present year draws to a close, it is well to view collectively the Nobles with whom we have been in contact and who have been responsible for carrying out the directives which have made our Organization operate smoothly on all cylinders.

The year 1955 was a rewarding and eventful year for your Temple . . . packed full of fun, colorful Ceremonials, good fellowship, brotherly love, cooperative spirit, and greater gains for Shrinedom.

We added a grand total of 1,585 members, including affiliations and reinstatements, making it the greatest year Aleppo Temple has enjoyed in the 34 years since 1921. Our Membership Committee deserves much of the credit for this excellent result. The large Classes we have had this year have necessarily resulted in much extra work for the office of our Recorder and his staff, and my thanks and appreciation for the efficiency by which this work was accomplished are certainly extended to our Recorder, Harvey B. Leggee; congratulations are also due to Noble Frank H. Wilson, Chairman of our Membership Committee, for the outstanding accomplishment attained by this valuable group of tireless workers.

It is gratifying to report that we are in excellent condition financially, in great measure due to the support and experienced counsel of our Finance Committee.

Our Officers and Uniformed Units have contributed of their time and effort to preserve Aleppo's position as one of the outstanding Temples in all Shrinedom. Too much credit cannot be given to the fine, upstanding Nobles who

comprise our Units, and I commend them and their leaders for their creditable accomplishments in 1955. Nowhere in Shrinedom can one find a better spirit of cooperation and understanding than we have had from our Divan, Appointed Officers, and our Uniformed Units. Words are inadequate to express my appreciation for their unselfish service to Shrinedom and to Masonry this past year.

To me, 1955 will be remembered and cherished as a year of gratefully enjoying one of the greatest honors that could ever come the way of any man and one which has afforded me the opportunity to work with a great and noble group of men, and in service for you as Potentate of Aleppo Temple.

As we start another year in Aleppo Temple, "Let's strengthen what we have." I call upon each member for a continued manifestation of real Shrinedom, more good fellowship, and still more good clean fun, making Aleppo an even bigger and better playground for every branch of Masonry.

With sincere appreciation of the efforts of everyone in our great Organization, and the united contribution of all to the progress of Aleppo Temple . . . from the bottom of my heart I extend grateful thanks and good wishes to you all for the year 1956.

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

Illustrious Potentate

DON'T FEAR CRITICISM

IN A booklet published in the Midwest, there is the statement that the life of a Recorder is never dull or boring. With each job there is something new. After each job there are critics and admirers who have their say. And that is as it should be for a free press and free speech were among the reasons why we just fought another war.

And so we got a kick out a clipping which is headed, "Don't Fear Criticism." It says:

"The galleries are full of critics. They play no ball. They fight no fights. They make no mistakes because they attempt nothing. Down in the arena are the doers. They make mistakes because they attempt to try many things.

"Ford forgot to put a reverse gear in his first automobile. Edison once spent \$2,000,000 on an invention which proved of little value.

"The man who makes no mistakes lacks boldness and the spirit of adventure. He is the one who never tries anything. He is the brake on the wheel of progress.

"And yet it cannot be truly said he makes no mistakes because the biggest mistake he makes is the very fact that he tries nothing, does nothing except to criticize those who do things."

REPORT OF OUR SHRINE CIRCUS

THE eleventh Shrine Circus, sponsored by Aleppo Temple, at the great Boston Garden, is now history, having run for ten performances during the six days commencing Tuesday, November 15. We are pleased to report, that due to the loyal cooperative efforts of so many thousands of our members and friends, the 1955 circus was outstanding. The show itself exceeded any previous display, with a long program of new and distinctly novel circus acts and thrill features. The officers and uniformed units of the Temple, turning out in full parade, were a colorful opening for each of our four night performances. Members of the Degree Staff, as usual, covered each performance for the sale of souvenir programs; and a picked volunteer group from among our Aleppo Temple Guards served tirelessly under the direction of the General Chairman in the courteous greeting and effective seating of thousands of children from scores of agencies who attended our 1955 Shrine Circus as the happy, grateful guests of generous "Daddies."

Your Chairman is profoundly grateful for the continued generous support and enthusiastic interest evidenced by the great majority of our membership and the establishing of a new record in the purchase of our official advance coupon books by the Nobility.

A real debt of gratitude is also due to the *Boston Post*, which great morning newspaper again gratuitously sponsored our annual animal-naming contest incident to the Circus, thereby assuming invaluable publicity daily for over two weeks, even during the excitement of a city election. Out of some 20,000 replies from children throughout New England, suggesting appropriate names for a kangaroo, the prize names *Kanzac* and *Checkers* were chosen for the two baby kangaroos presented this year to the Franklin Park Zoo incident to our Circus. Down through the years, Aleppo's animal gifts have populated Boston's official zoo with 3 camels, 4 kangaroos, 2 elands, a zebra, a pair of Sicilian donkeys, and a chimpanzee — evidences by acknowledgments prominently displayed at the Zoo giving due credit to our endeavours.

The number of underprivileged and less fortunate children who attended the Circus as your guests, or as the guests of the many business houses and members of the general public who participated in that primary feature of our venture, exceeded by many hundreds the attendance of any previous year. I earnestly believe that this "Daddy" aspect of our annual Shrine Circus does more in one week to promote real democratic Americanism, and does more to foster and uphold that true spirit of good will — supposedly impregnated in the heart of every Mason from the Great Light on the Altar — than do all the speeches, and pledges and pronouncements heard throughout the year. "Actions speak louder than words." And whatever his belief, or color, or race — I can't believe any child who has ever been thrilled at a Shrine

YOUR 1956 SHRINE CARD

Noble, you will need your 1956 Shrine Card to attend Aleppo's Annual meeting and Ceremonial Friday, January 27, so why not get it now.

If you will do this it will avoid a lot of confusion in the Shrine Office the day of the meeting and will save a lot of time and permit you to enjoy the meeting a great deal more. It will also permit the office to function more efficiently, so if you have not obtained your 1956 Dues Card yet, be a good Noble and mail your check today. Your card will be immediately returned to you.

SOMETHING WORTH WHILE

THE MYSTIC SHRINE is a playground for Masons. It teaches Justice, Truth, Mercy, Toleration, Forbearance, Morality in its highest conception and Temperance in all things. It encourages pleasure without Intemperance, Hospitality without Rudeness, Jollity without Coarseness, Liberty without License, and Fun without Filth. It taboos everything objectionable. It cements all creeds and cooperates with all sects. It is the power for Immeasurable good.

Circus, as the warmly welcomed guest of Aleppo Temple and its friends, deep in his or her heart will ever fail to remember that the man in the red fez, whatever his race or creed, isn't the worst fellow in the world. The children of today are the men and women of tomorrow. I believe that a Shrine Circus makes real friends. And more important, I feel that a circus — in this century of wars, and strikes, and atomic peril, and deceit, and social unrest — at least for one unforgettable afternoon, can restore to confused children the glorious happiness of old-fashioned childhood.

I believe the Nobility, especially our brethren in distant places, are entitled to share the pleasure and satisfaction of knowing what our 1955 Aleppo Temple Circus accomplished with their aid. I truly wish every Noble of Aleppo could have had the privilege, and experienced the keen pleasure, of reading the sentiments expressed in so many of the hundreds of letters we have received since Circus week — especially the childrens' letters. At the close of this report I give you a few typical responses from the scores of institutions and organizations and groups whose children or patients were your grateful guests.

Following those letters I have also annexed some typical letters from the Nobility. I like *people*; and one of the moving experiences incident to the active operation of a Shrine Circus is the opportunity it affords to study human nature. Our great Shrine Temple represents a real cross section of life. Misfortune, unhappiness, suffering, joy, generosity, and selfishness, all can be found reflected in any large and representative group of modern Americans. A reading of the hundreds of letters we receive from our membership, in response to the announcement of our Circus, weaves a picture of our Shrine as it really is. We hear from wonderful Nobles, once young and active, who are reaching the sunset hours of a long but worth while journey. With real regret, we read of financial reverses or lingering illness, or sudden misfortune — but always coupled with inspirational courage, and unselfish thought of others, and a never failing pride in the Shrine. Here and there it might seem as though sometimes a man's deep affection for his Shrine Temple varies inversely, depending on the distance from which he writes; one might think so as we read letters, with checks, from far away Honolulu, or Germany, or Tokyo, or the South Pacific. Only once in a great while is there a sour note, or a fleeting glimpse of blind selfishness. For almost invariably, in these brief messages, we hear the voice of the real Shrine. I wish every Noble of Aleppo might have both the time and opportunity to read each and every one of these letters as I have done. The task has been a privilege.

Yours with and in the Faith,

ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.

Chairman of Aleppo Shrine Circus.

North End Union

On behalf of the many children who were the guests of Aleppo Temple at the Shrine Indoor Circus recently, I extend to you our sincere thanks. We selected the children differently this year. With the cooperation of parents, we selected children who had never been to a circus before. The responses were interesting and some are enclosed for your perusal. Many of the children were accompanied by their mothers, some of whom also had never been to a circus, who went in the capacity of leaders. All are grateful to you for the wonderful time they had. Frank L. Havey, Head Worker.

Home of the Little Flower

There is hardly the necessity of writing how much the youngsters enjoyed the circus that was quite obvious throughout the performance. We only wish we could manifest our gratitude in a similar way. Your thoughtfulness of others, the less fortunate ones, will surely bring you blessings. A million thanks and a fervent wish of God's blessing upon you and yours goes to each and every one of you from deeply grateful hearts. Gratefully, Sister Mary Henrietta.

Maryknoll Sisters Center

On behalf of our large group of children and the Sisters who accompanied them, I thank you sincerely for the enjoyable afternoon they had last Saturday at the Circus as your guests. Gratefully yours, Sister Mary Lawrence.

Boston Juvenile Court-Citizens Training Group

Your kind invitation to attend the Hamid-Morton Circus on Saturday, November 19, for forty of our children was most appreciated. We all enjoyed it much more than words can express. Sincerely, Louis G. Maglio, Exec. Dir.

Nazareth

Once more the Sisters and children of Nazareth wish to express their gratitude to you for our children at their annual Circus treat. It is such a pleasure to have an invitation out on a Saturday and to a Circus, at that. Please be sure each one of you will be gratefully remembered in the daily prayers of our Sisters and children. God love and bless you. Gratefully, Sister Josephine.

Soldiers' Home in Chelsea

Once again we at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea wish to thank Aleppo for their generosity in permitting some of our patients to attend the Indoor Circus at the Garden on November 17. Very truly yours, Mrs. Agnes Ruddock, Dr.

Dudley Street Baptist Church

We wish to express our appreciation to you for your generosity in making it possible for our primary children of our Sunday school to attend the Circus on November 19. Every one of the children wish to add their words of thanks for your kindness. Not only was the performance superb but the efficiency and courteousness of the men handling the seating and ushering arrangements made our visit much more pleasant. Sincerely, H. W. Knowles, Supt.

I would like to thank you for the two tickets to the Circus which I won in the Contest. Living up here in Vermont, I will not be able to use them. My Daddy is an ardent reader of the Boston Post. After reading where Boston had so much polio I wish to donate my two tickets to some boy or girl who was stricken but is now able to get around and would like to represent me and Bennington, Vt. For your time and trouble, Mr. Wilson, I will say a prayer every night this week praying to God that Aleppo has the best Circus ever. From your dear Little Friend Janice M. Knapp, Bennington, Vt.

Mirabeau Fresh Air Camp, Inc.

The children of Mirabeau Fresh Air Camp had a dandy time at the Circus. We thank you and Aleppo very much for a fine time. F. E. Marble, President

We wish to thank you for making it possible for us to take 200 children to the Circus. The youngest was three years old, and even he remained wide eyed during the whole performance. When I told the children that it was free one of them wanted to know how I could take them for nothing and added, "Are you a teacher or something?" I explained it was through the men of our great organization that they were able to attend. Thanks again for your generosity, kindness and your democratic spirit. Sincerely A. & L.W.

I would like to express my appreciation to you and the Aleppo Shrine for the many kindnesses shown to me and my family in connection with the "Kangaroo Naming Contest." Fine work by fine people was never so evident. Such a contest would have to be sponsored by fine people a few of which I had the pleasure to meet last Tuesday evening. I know you can understand the pride of parents when their child makes an accomplishment of any size. In this case our son won the contest sponsored by your Organization and it was an unexpected and wonderful thrill for our family. It must be a great source of satisfaction to you to know you brought such happiness to others. I would like to thank you for the time you gave me, just prior to the opening of the show, when your time was in such great demand. That kindness allowed us to enjoy "our night" together for which we shall always be grateful. Sincerely, George E. Murphy, Charlestown.

Boston Chapter Knights of Columbus

On behalf of the several "Institutional Groups" who attended the recent Circus we express our thanks for your thoughtfulness, and gratefully acknowledge the many courtesies extended by the ushers and other attendants, which added to the enjoyment of the occasion. Joseph C. Ochs, Sec.

First Baptist Church

Many, many thanks to you from First Baptist Church on Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, for being hosts to the children of our Sunday school on November 19, at your Circus. We all had a wonderful time and thought the show excellent. Rev. John U. Miller.

Metropolitan State Hospital Children's Unit

Once again I have the pleasure of writing to thank you for including our youngsters among your guests at your Circus. The occasion is very special for them, from the fun of getting away completely from the hospital, riding in a bus by daylight, sitting entranced before all the spectacles, riding home in the dark with the lights to watch. Children and staff alike join in sending appreciation to you along with the warmest wishes. Mrs. H. Jordan.

Dept. of Public Welfare — Div. of Child Guardianship

The staff of the Boston office wish to thank you for the pleasure given to all children in our care who attended your Circus. For some it was the first time they had such an opportunity and for all it was a grand experience. I. J. Donnelly, District Supervisor.

Girls Clubs of Boston

What a wonderful gift Aleppo Temple has given to the children of Boston. Perhaps the greatest thrill of childhood is the opportunity for a trip to the Circus. The Girls' Clubs members who attended through your generosity have been talking continuously about the exciting events when they were your guests. Mrs. R. S. Signor.

United Cerebral Palsy of Boston, Inc.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Shrine for making it possible for our Cerebral Palsied children and adults to attend your Circus. We had a wonderful time and are most appreciative of your fine work on behalf of the handicapped. Edith Povar Schneider, Exec. Dir.

Herewith check for \$10 covering my tickets; you also received \$10 from Noble E. Gosselin and \$5 from Noble R. Bachmann, both from Methuen. Knowing that we could not be listed as "Dads" I wanted you to know how the tickets were used. Noble W. Crompton (Dad to the Laurence Rainbow Girls) undertook a project wherein almost 100 girls left our local Temple on a Friday night by bus and enjoyed "One swell evening." He was able to furnish tickets for all, free of charge and the bus ride at a very small cost. Our fez off to Bill Crompton, Lawrence, Mass. In the faith, H.A.B.

Salvation Army, South End Boys' Club

We wish to express our gratitude for the boys who attended your Circus on Saturday. They all had a wonderful time and it was surely an event that will last long in the memory of these youngsters. W. D. Halsted, Exec. Dir.

Holy Trinity Rectory

This is but a brief note to you to thank you for the wonderful time you gave our youngsters at the Circus on Wednesday. God bless you for your kindness and generosity to his little ones, with a remembrance in my prayers, I remain, Holy Trinity Rectory.

House of the Good Shepherd

I wish to thank you for the wonderful entertainment to which you invited our girls on Saturday. There are few things that delight them more than a circus, and this was all they expected and more. The main topic of conversation on the way home and all the next day was, "which act did you like?" I think votes were running high for the finale, although the man on the sway pole was very popular. The lions and elephants were enjoyed by all. It was a tremendous act of charity on your part to have provided so much happiness Saturday afternoon for so many boys and girls, and we, in particular, are especially grateful for the wonderful time. May God bless your great generosity. We cannot hope to repay you except by remembrance in our prayers, but we will certainly not forget you in these. Thank you again from the Sisters and all the girls. Mother St. Urban

Boston Home and School Association

More than 200 retarded children and their parents wish to thank you sincerely for your generous assistance in making possible a wonderful day at the Circus Sunday, November 20. You will never know what a wonderful feeling the parents of these children get when a person like you does such a wonderful thing to make our children happy. Gratefully, M. E. Mooney, Sec.

Find enclosed check for Circus tickets (\$5) dollars. I am in the Navy in Norfolk and am unable to give very much help and regret I cannot do more. D.B.C.

Pressure of business kept me away from home; hence this tardy enclosure. If the tardiness caused disappointment to some little shavers, I feel truly sorry. In such case, please use within check at the earliest opportunity for the reservation of choice seats for these youngsters next year. E.B.S.

I regret that financial conditions will permit of my making only a small contribution to this most worthy cause. I am now living on rather a restricted annuity. Therefore I am returning my book of tickets with \$2.00, the best I can do under existing conditions. It is quite doubtful if I shall ever return to Boston as I am well along in years, but I shall always recall with pleasure memories of the many years it has been my privilege to be a member of Aleppo. I do miss those fine ceremonials. O.C.M., Hawthorne, Calif.

Enclosed please find \$10 for Aleppo Circus tickets. I am sending tickets to G. Ellis, Westwood Square & Compass Club, for their annual children's circus party. H.A.C., Dedham.

I'm a long way from the Boston Garden but enclosed find check for \$10 for book of tickets sent me. F.P.M., Coral Gables, Fla.

Enclosed tickets returned as I will be unable to use them as I am on way to Florida. A.B.C.

With a great deal of pleasure I enclose check for \$12 and book of coupons. Physically I will be unable to attend "The Big Show." However, undoubtedly it can be arranged for 24 kids to attend. Will be glad to remit any Federal Tax involved. H.W.B., Worcester.

I am now 88 years of age, my circus days are over, and I'm too old to do any running around, so I enclose my check for \$5.00, and no doubt you can find some kids down your way that you can use the tickets on and assure them a little happiness. O.K.W., Leominster, Mass.

Please find enclosed a money order for \$10 and tickets for the coming Shrine Circus. Use them in what ever manner you desire. Aloha and fraternally, H. C. Chee, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Enclosed you will find my check and tickets for the Shrine Circus for use by the children. I know they will have a good time as it is one of the best activities put on by Aleppo. A.H.P., North Quincy.

I am enclosing my personal check in the amount of \$10 together with the book of exchange coupons. As I will be unable to exchange these for regular admission tickets, will you please arrange to make these coupons available to someone else. It is my sincere desire that the circus is a financial success as it is for a most worthy cause. L.G.H., Sampson Air Base, Geneva, N. Y.

Am returning tickets for Shrine Circus with one dollar. Sorry I cannot contribute more, but owing to a serious accident I had over three years ago I have been helpless and unable to follow my employment. P.E.F.

I have received my coupons for the forthcoming Shrine Circus today. I am enclosing a M.O. for the coupons and also a separate M.O. for my 1956 due card. I am still stationed here in Japan and expect to be here until about the middle of 1958. M.K.M.

At this distance I could not sell tickets; however, I enclose \$5 for the cause. Good luck and may God bless you in your noble work. A.J.M., Calif.

The enclosed check for fifty dollars will purchase one book of tickets. Kindly forward them to this address. With the very best of wishes for your continued success and good luck. Winthrop Lodge of Elks.

Forgive me for returning these tickets, but my husband has been and is still seriously ill in the Newton-Wellesley Hospital having suffered a stroke more than two weeks ago. The Shrine Circus is very close to our hearts and I am very, very sorry to return the tickets. It makes me feed sad. Mrs. H.A.B.

Old Colony Chapter, Order of DeMolay of Quincy, Mass., has again voted to donate the sum of \$10 to Aleppo Temple Shrine Activities as a part of its benevolent program. Enclosed find check for \$10 together with book of tickets, in order that some of the less fortunate children may enjoy the Circus. At this time, also, may we take this opportunity of thanking you for the splendid evening we enjoyed at the Garden, June 4, and for the time and effort you personally put forth to assure a smooth running and successful evening which, of course, it was. J.H.J.

Enclosed are my tickets and check for \$20. I don't suppose the names on the tickets will matter. I had to give them something so let them sign their name. Sold tickets at the following places: Thule, Greenland, Lajes, The Azores: Casa Blanca, Morocco, Tripoli, Libya; Athens, Greece and Istanbul, Turkey. I'm still a MATS pilot. Best wishes for success. R. G. Green.

I am glad to see that you are repeating the Circus for the benefit of the underprivileged children in and around Boston and take pleasure in sending you my check for \$10, covering the book which was received. I am also returning the tickets and would like to have you distribute them to the best advantage since I am not able to do so by reason of my inability to get to Boston. W.F.H., New York City.

Enclosed is check for \$10 and my tickets for the Shrine Circus — regret I can't be there. Have been here in Germany almost four years now and miss Aleppo times very much. However Ahmes Temple, from Oakland, Calif., comes here every year (for the last 3 years) and gives us a bang-up ceremonial with all the fixings. We have Shrine clubs to keep the spirit alive so aren't doing too badly. Am very proud of the work "our" Shrine does and think our good German brothers who understand it are too. Keep up the good job. Horace E. Dunkle, Jr., Frankfort, Germany.

Enclosed you will find my donation for "The Big Show." I am returning the book of coupons and you may do as you see "fit." Either take some children to the Circus or keep check toward the total amount raised for Shrine Activities. E.R.J.

Enclosed you will find my check. The best \$10 I ever spent; had the greatest time in my life with a crowd of kids. H.M. Shook.

The 8,000-mile interrening distance plus mail facilities will not allow me to participate in the Circus activity this year and hence I am returning the tickets which arrived a few days ago. My check for \$20 is enclosed for use in some other way toward helping underprivileged children. After seeing the high rate of disease among the native children here in some of the Pacific Islands, I think we little realize how comparatively high our medical standards are in Massachusetts. Out here it is a difficult chore for young children to live past the year-old stage of life. . . . A war-raraged tropical island is not a neat sight to behold. Thank God New England has not undergone such an upheaval. Malburne J. Peabody, U.S. Navy.

Enclosed please find check for \$12 to enable a few poor children to attend the Circus. I shall not be able to be there again this year. I was in Greenland for 13 months, returning the end of August, and have been assigned to Sampson A.F.B. far up in N. Y. State. It's too far away even for week-ends. I am here on T.D.Y. for three days. Mrs. M. will forward the check later in the month. Mrs. M. and I join in wishing you a successful affair again this year. Hoping this finds all the Nobles in the best of health and may God bless all your efforts, I am, L.G.M.

I am a little late in sending my check for Shrine Circus. I have been on vacation for three weeks. So, Nobles, keep up the good work. And may the Good Lord bless you and all the kids. R.J.M.

Enclosed find P/Order for \$10 and a book of 12 tickets. It is a privilege and a pleasure to be able to bring some measure of happiness to our underprivileged children. Your worthwhile efforts along these lines make one proud to be a Shriner. P.R.C., Natick.

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Tuesday, April 24, 1956

MECHANICS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS.

NOTE: YOUR 1956 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ABOVE CEREMONIES. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, WE SUGGEST YOU OBTAIN IT NOW, OR BEFORE THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

Enter at 99 Huntington Avenue for Afternoon Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Saturday, April 21, 1956 (two working days before the meeting)

BUFFET DINNER - - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Nobles of Aleppo - No Charge — Visiting Nobles - \$2.00

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

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Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P.M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

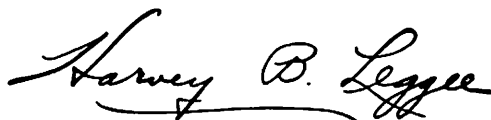
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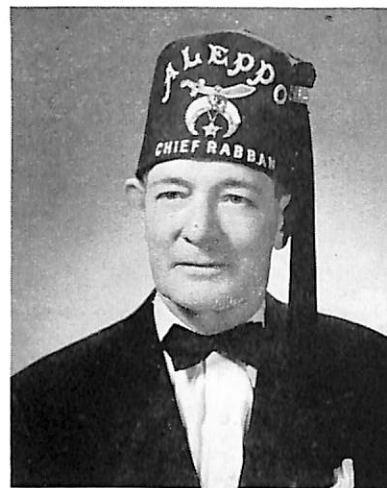


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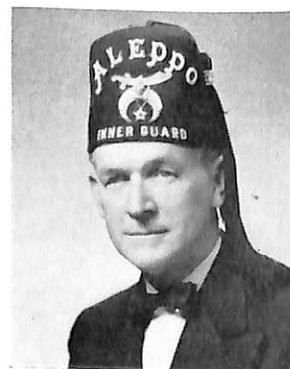
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The Potentate's Message



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE HERMAN C. McSTAY

Dear Nobles:

I gladly enter upon my second year of service as Potentate of the best Shrine Temple in North America, again realizing that your counsel and assistance, your encouragement and advice, and your active support and cooperation are absolutely essential to the continued growth and prosperity of the Temple, of which we are all so justly proud.

Grateful for the unanimous support of the Nobility, I am very happy to supplement our Annual Printed Report for 1955 by stating (1) that our total membership at the close of 1955 was the largest in the history of Aleppo Temple, (2) our net gain in membership for the year was the largest of any of the 166 Temples in North America, (3) our financial condition is the best in our long history, (4) a membership of 15,644 members now entrenches us strongly as the fourth largest Temple in North America, and (5) with still more concentrated effort, it is not too impossible that Aleppo Temple could move into third position.

This last worthy achievement can be accomplished only by each individual member selling Aleppo Temple to the hundreds of unregenerate novices right in his own community. Let's keep our sights on the target, and we can't miss attaining even startling results. A little personal contact and encouragement is all that is needed to persuade your York or Scottish Rite Masonic friend to undertake that unforgettable journey over the blistering sands to Mecca. Will you lend your support and bring in a novice to enjoy with you the Sunshine of the Shrine?

Plans are underway for another big year of fun-making at our Ceremonials as well as many outside activities that will make you even more proud that you are a member of the greatest fraternal Organization in the world!

The Shrine is a man's organization, it was so conceived and established and has always been so maintained. However, for the ladies we customarily open our year with the annual Potentate's Ball. This year's event was a beautiful affair, and the Imperial Ballroom of the Statler Hotel was filled to capacity. It was a very colorful scene to see the Uniformed Units in multi-colored uniforms mingling on the dance floor with the ladies in their attractive evening gowns and our Nobles in tuxedos and red fezzes. Your Potentate is grateful indeed for an extremely happy and enjoyable evening.

Again this year another mammoth event at the Boston Garden is now being planned, under the capable Chairmanship of Imperial Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., for Saturday, June 2, 1956. Last year we played host to that great organization for boys — the Order of DeMolay. This year we will honor our Most Worshipful Grand Master and all Massachusetts' Masonry with the largest all-Masonic affair ever held in the City of Boston. There will be headline entertainment and pageantry that no Blue Lodge Mason should miss. Tickets for this event can be obtained only through your Blue Lodge. No tickets will be made available through the office of Aleppo Temple. This is Shrinedom's night for Masonry.

Plans for other outstanding events are now being made, concerning which you will be notified in due time through the medium of your *Aleppo News* or by direct mail.

We start this year's fun with our Spring Ceremonial on Tuesday, April 24, 1956. This is our Oyster Festival. Wow! How the Nobility loves them! Last year, approximately 60,000 oysters were consumed. It's just another Aleppo treat whereby you may better enjoy your Shrine . . . enjoy it today, it may be later than you think.

Our Uniformed Units have been faithfully rehearsing to offer you an evening of Oriental excitement, color and enjoyment and, with the program submitted, we feel quite certain you will rock the Mechanics Building with your laughter and enthusiastic approval.

THE SHRINE IS THE MODERN IDEA IN FRATERNALISM.

Come out and enjoy the very best in fraternal sociability such as only Aleppo can provide, remembering always that Shrinedom is the one fraternal organization in the world that symbolized the well known expression, "A man never stood so straight as when he stooped to lift a crippled child."

I salute you all in appreciation for the splendid cooperation given me in 1955. For 1956, let's look forward to new horizons and make Aleppo an even bigger, stronger and greater Temple.

"Es Selamu Aleikum"

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

Herman C. McStay

Illustrious Potentate.

1956
ALEPPO TEMPLE PERSONNEL
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UNIFORMED UNITS — COMMITTEES



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Alfred C. Sandberg.....Director
Walter W. Benson.....Marshal
William A. Odell.....Captain of the Guard
Cecil C. Marble.....Outer Guard

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Benjamin R. Vaughan.....Commander Uniform Units
Rangnar Fridolin.....Major, Arab Patrol
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Reginald M. Cunningham.....Captain, Mounted Patrol
Earl R. Weidner.....Director, Chanters
Clarence Young.....Director, Oriental Band
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Earl R. Barnard.....Public Relations
Charles R. Gunnarson.....Assistant Marshal
Albert A. Saunders.....Band Manager
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RANGNAR FRIDOLIN, Major

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Surgeon.....Captain Louis F. Salerno
Personnel Adjutant.....Captain George W. Vaughan
Liaison Officer.....Captain Harold L. Burr
Quartermaster.....Lieutenant Charles M. Taylor
Supply Officer.....Lieutenant Walter W. Benson
Aide to Surgeon.....Lieutenant Arthur J. McCoy
Aide to Surgeon.....Lieutenant Stuart K. Partridge
Aide to Surgeon.....Lieutenant William L. Barnes

NON-COMMISSIONED STAFF

Quartermaster Sergeant.....Joseph E. Stead
Aide to Quartermaster.....John B. Glawson
Aide to Supply Officer.....Charles R. Gunnarson
Aide to Staff.....Andrew Duncan
Color Sergeant.....Thomas W. Wyman
Color Guard.....Arthur G. R. Carlson
Color Bearer.....Walter R. Lenk
Color Bearer.....Frank W. Curtis
Color Bearer.....Paul E. Gerolstein
Color Bearer.....Ralph H. Seifert
Color Bearer.....Frank A. Walsh

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First Lieutenant.....Francis A. Parker
Second Lieutenant.....Thatcher D. Taylor
Sergeant.....Charles E. Woodman
Sergeant.....George L. Black
Corporal.....Charles E. Neall, Jr.
Corporal.....John R. Nelson
Corporal.....Clyde L. Carter
Corporal.....Hector MacFarlane
Hjalmar W. Anderson Laurence E. Hicks John W. Parsons
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George S. Ferngold Richard G. Needle Dennis C. F. Wakelin
Carl R. Hanson Robert B. Wilton

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First Lieutenant.....George C. Shackford
Second Lieutenant.....Reginald Morse
Sergeant.....Ernest R. Erickson
Sergeant.....Louis A. Beaudoin
Corporal.....John B. Naylor
Corporal.....Chester A. Parkhurst
Corporal.....Morgan G. Chamberlin
Corporal.....John Cullen
Alfred L. Backstrom Allen I. Hatfield, Jr.
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Sidney W. Carroll Arthur B. Hawkes Cyrus F. D. McMullin
Kendall Chase Ara H. Hedison Frank E. Milley
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Stanley C. Gibbs John Mathon Howard L. Prior
William J. Gurney Carl R. MacKenney Woodford Y. Smith
Robert G. Wilson, Jr.

THIRD PLATOON

First Lieutenant.....James F. Blatchford
Second Lieutenant.....Minot F. Smith
Sergeant.....C. Bryant Wry
Sergeant.....Karsten H. Sandmo
Corporal.....Gustave A. Schlauck
Corporal.....Joseph B. Rembaum
Corporal.....Joseph E. Jacobs
Corporal.....Louis H. Alter
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Edmund J. Carafa John G. Mosesian George C. Walker
Elmer H. Currant

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First Lieutenant.....Patten W. Dunn
Second Lieutenant.....Joseph L. Wehrle
Sergeant.....John M. Stratis
Sergeant.....John A. Macaulay
Corporal.....George W. Wilkinson
Corporal.....Walter M. Horne
Corporal.....Sidney R. Williamson
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John Emslie James G. A. Mitchell Forest H. Ward
Lawrence Fillenger Arthur Wolfe

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Sergeant.....Lewis Goldstein
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George M. Barnes Cecil R. Porter
Franklin F. Bartlett Abbott L. Rodenhiser
Charles E. Climo Kirkor Roopenian
James H. Coulter George Shallah
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Captain.....Herman J. Waldstein
Lieutenant.....Herbert F. Chantler
Lieutenant.....Cyrus J. Chapman
Sergeant.....Walter E. Surridge
Sergeant.....George F. Renkert
Sol Basch Edmund J. Harvey
John W. Berquist William W. Duncan William T. Kinney
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ALBERT A. SAUNDERS, Band Manager

Albert F. Saunders.....Assistant to Band Manager
Abner Stodder.....Quartermaster
William C. Fischer.....Assistant Quartermaster
George R. Reilly.....Drum Major
Lewis H. Carpenter.....Associate Drum Major
Harold S. Goldman.....Band Surgeon
Gideon T. Sawyer.....Band Treasurer

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Gerry L. Brooks Raymond C. Filleul, Sr. George C. Penshorn

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Louis Brightman William R. Keonig James E. Thurlow
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Herman Brightman Francis J. Googins Norman Leslie
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James W. Harmon Sergeant
Samuel D. Basch Walter Jones Jack Pach
Edward H. Bond John E. Laneau Samuel F. Poupart
R. F. Davidson A. Harold Lorey Charles E. Robinson
Wilbur F. Garabedian Walter C. MacCreedy Winthrop G. Rockwell
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Dr. George H. Hawley John J. Mohr Robert Scott
Arthur G. Herman Ralph C. Morse Burton S. Shaughnessy
Wilbur W. Horton Ernest B. Norman Joseph L. Speyer
Melvin C. Johnson Frank B. Thompson

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Willis A. Sweet Sergeant
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SHRINE CLUB EVENTS

THE NORTH SHORE SHRINE CLUB

Annual Potentate's Visitation and Ladies' Night Dinner and Dance
Wednesday, May 2, 1956
New Ocean House, Swampscott
Dinner at 6:30 P.M., followed by dancing

Harvest Meeting, October

(Date and place to be announced later)

Ladies' Night Dinner and Dance

Friday, November 2, 1956
Thomson Club, Nahant

Annual Meeting, Monday, December 10, 1956

Masonic Hall, Danvers
7:30 P.M. — Election of Officers, etc.

SHRINE CLUB OF SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS

Annual Potentate's Night

Wednesday, May 9, 1956
New Bedford Hotel, New Bedford

NEWBURYPORT SHRINE CLUB

Annual Potentate's Visitation and Ladies' Night
Tuesday, May 8, 1956
Red Feather Cottage, Route 1, Salisbury

MERRIMACK VALLEY SHRINE CLUB

Annual Potentate's Visitation and Ladies' Night
Thursday, May 17, 1956

SHRINE CLUBS Their Organization and Direction

ASHRINE CLUB properly organized and properly operated can be a great asset to a Temple and certainly it can be a definite asset to the community in which it functions.

Such a Club gives Shriners in a local area the opportunity and privilege of meeting together as Shriners and serves a wholesome purpose in that particular area.

Shrine Clubs may be organized by Temples within their territorial jurisdiction but only with the official sanction and under the control of the Potentate of the Temple within whose jurisdiction it is organized, and all members of the Club, whether belonging to said Temple or not, shall be amendable to the By-laws and Regulations of said Temple.

Shriners like to fraternize, wear their Fezzes, associate together, enjoy meetings and entertainments, and make a real contribution to their home area or town. Actually, in communities removed some considerable distance from the city of the Temple, an active and well organized Shrine Club can be of service to that locality in numerous ways.

Shrine Clubs must never be permitted to meet in competition with the Temple, nor are they allowed to promote any fund-raising program or entertainment program, or any activity of any kind, which would place the Club in competition with the Temple.

In accordance with the Imperial Code, the Temple is forbidden to contribute a pro-rata percentage of the dues paid by the Club members as Temple dues for the use and benefit of the Club itself. Yet the Temple frequently sends Uniformed bodies or other features to Club meetings which might include speakers from the Divan or its membership.

A properly organized and well conducted Shrine Club program will produce much wholesome benefit for Shrinedom and its Temple. This result comes from Clubs that are properly organized, adequately censored, and enthusiastically encouraged to work for the benefit of the Temple. Such Clubs produce greater activity in Blue Lodge Masonry and the prerequisite bodies and, of course, it is a known fact that they are strong in the production of new candidates for the Shrine.

THE LAW OF THE SHRINE

The Shrine as well as every member is, of course, bound by Federal, State, and Municipal laws. In addition to these laws, there is another body of laws governing the management and the control of the organization, the relationships of Temples to the Imperial Council, the control of Shrine Clubs and other organizations of Shriners, and the duties of Shriners towards the Shrine and its members.

These laws are to be found in the Charter, By-laws, and Code of the Imperial Council of the Shrine, in the decisions of Imperial Potentates, the rulings of the Jurisprudence and Laws Committee of the Imperial Council, in the By-laws of your Temple, in the By-laws of Shrine Clubs, and in the laws of the Masonic Bodies.

RULINGS AND DECISIONS

A Shrine Club is under the direct control of the Potentate of the Temple in whose jurisdiction it is organized.

Shrine Clubs should not use Arabic or Egyptian names because such names are reserved for the designation of Temples.

The use of "Caravan Club" as the name of an organization composed of both Shriners and non-Shriners is prohibited.

Shrine Clubs should refrain from including advertisements of intoxicating beverages in publications and programs.

It is improper for Shrine Clubs to indorse candidates for offices in a Temple or take any other action affecting the entire membership of the Temple.

The incorporation of a Shrine Club is prohibited because an incorporated Club would be subject to State laws and thus not under the exclusive control of the Potentate.

It is improper for a Temple to pay a Shrine Club any funds for the procurement of novices.

The use of a Shrine Club membership list, directly or indirectly, for any purpose whatsoever other than for Shrine Club business or activities is *strictly prohibited*.

As in all branches of Masonry, the organizational indorsement or support of any club members or others campaigning

for town, city, county, state or national political office is *strictly prohibited*, nor should any group of Nobles within a Club use any title or name in any matter, printed or otherwise, which could be construed as being directly or indirectly connected with a Shrine Club or any part of its membership.

Shrine Clubs cannot be authorized or formed within a distance of 25 miles from the home office of Aleppo Temple.

Games of chance, raffles, lotteries, or gambling in any form are all *strictly prohibited*.

The Officers of any Shrine Club authorized within the jurisdiction of Aleppo Temple must be Nobles of Aleppo Temple and in good standing.

Organizations within Shrine Temples must not use the words "Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children" for promotional purposes without first submitting to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, their plan. The unauthorized use by any Temple or individual member thereof of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children," or any part of that title, or any other title using the words "Crippled Children" in a notice or advertisement or on tickets, that in any way could confuse a purchaser or subscriber in the soliciting of funds is *strictly prohibited*.

No Shrine Club can be legally organized without the approval of the Potentate, nor should a Club operate except pursuant to By-laws which the Potentate of the Temple has approved.

Property should not be purchased or leased by the Club without the sanction of the Potentate.

Club obligations should not be incurred, except for routine expenses, without the Potentate's consent.

In Shrine Club houses, or Club rooms, and at Shrine Club meetings, both the law of the land and the laws of the Masonic Bodies of the jurisdiction, as well as all Shrine laws, should be strictly observed, in spirit as within the letter. No vulgarity or obscenity should be tolerated.

A Shrine Club can best succeed only when close and harmonious relationships prevail between the Club and the Temple and its Potentate. This can be best achieved when there are frequent reports from the Club as to its activities and its problems, a feature which might well be a requirement in the Club's By-laws.

From the foregoing it is apparent that the Potentate of the Temple, acting under the Imperial Code and the By-laws of his Temple, is the supreme authority over Shrine Clubs within the jurisdiction of the Temple. He alone is responsible to the Temple and to the Imperial Council for the operation of the Shrine Clubs and the conduct of Shrine Club members.

ARE YOU A SHRINE CLUB MEMBER?

Aleppo Temple is blessed with eight fine Shrine Clubs located in strategic points throughout our jurisdiction. These Clubs are doing an outstanding job of spreading the sunshine of the Shrine as well as furthering the interest of our well known philanthropy, the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

A Noble needs only to visit a meeting or function of one of these Clubs to recognize its importance to Shriners and Shrinedom as well as to the area in which it is located.

The only thing lacking in these Shrine Clubs is the fact that there are many Nobles of Aleppo eligible for membership in a Shrine Club who have not taken advantage of the opportunity.

The cost of membership in all Shrine Clubs is very small considering the opportunities to serve others and to enjoy good fellowship among our members at Club meetings and entertainments by taking an active part in these functions.

Most Shrine Clubs have regular meetings and functions and issue notices of these activities in their communities. If you are not a member, we suggest that you join up now because you will get a lot more fun out of the Shrine by affiliating with the Shrine Club in your community. A list of the Officers of our eight Shrine Clubs is printed elsewhere in this Ceremonial notice.

The Imperial Potentate's Message

"He ain't heavy; he's my brother"

ONE day, while strolling through MacArthur Park in Little Rock, I noticed a small lad not yet in his teens, dressed in his short Boy Scout knickers. His rolled down stockings showed him to be a spindly and physically weak lad.

He was carrying a younger child, possibly four or five years old, but quite plump and chubby. The boy was staggering toward a park bench. It was such a big load for such a spindle-shanked boy that I thought of a tiny tug warping a huge liner into its dock.

"Pretty big load for such a small boy," I said as I passed him.

"Why, Mister," he smiled, "he ain't heavy; he's my brother."

I have taken many solemn obligations in my Masonic work, all of which were intended to impress me with the great lesson of the brotherhood of man. But no one ever made such an impression on me as that remark — "He ain't heavy; he's my brother."

I have heard the greatest pulpit orators and eloquent ritualists expounding the laws of God and praising the universal brotherhood of Man, but none of them ever moved me as did that snub-nosed, skinny kid with his entirely original and matter-of-course remark.

Our Shrine membership, made up of a cross-section of American business, professional, office and laboring men, is engaged in a common struggle to pile up dollars. Most of us become warm enthusiasts of our great philanthropy, our undisputed leadership in true charity, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children. But I submit to you the proposition that this unaffected boy had as great or even a greater philosophy working in his heart.

"He ain't heavy; he's my brother."

Some of us grumble at the necessity for having to carry part of the load of our weaker brother. We fret as we lug a little additional burden up the hill. Occasionally, we quarrel because of those whose twisted legs do not permit them to carry their share.

But from this time forth, let's all whistle as we lug him. Crippled child assessment a burden? It's a joy. "He ain't heavy; he's my brother."

Our Shrine has and will continue to spend a lot of money on orthopedic work. No one could feel as a burden one of those poor staggering little tots on whom we have performed many operations and on whose twisted and wobbly legs we have put braces.

"He ain't heavy; he's my brother."

WALTER C. GUY

Imperial Potentate.

OLDEST MASONIC LODGE

WE ARE often asked what is the oldest Masonic lodge in the world.

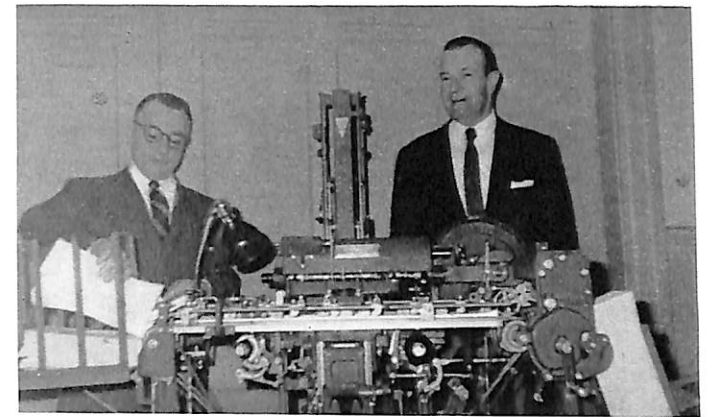
It is the Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1, sometimes known as Mary's Chapel and in July last year it observed the 350th anniversary of its establishment, at which time Masonic dignitaries from far and near journeyed to Edinburgh, Scotland, where the Lodge continues to carry on.

It has records to prove its long-time existence, for its first five pages of minutes incorporate the Schaw Statutes, which are dated December 28, 1598, six months later, July 31, 1599, are to be found in the minutes which confirm the Lodge's claim to the oldest existing Masonic minutes.

ALEPPO MOUNTED PATROL RECRUITS

DUE to a few vacancies in the Aleppo Temple Mounted Patrol, that Unit is now seeking new recruits.

If you are an experienced rider and would like to become a member of this colorful and active Unit of our Temple, you are invited to communicate with Noble Reginald M. Cunningham, Captain, Aleppo Mounted Patrol, 63 Beverley Road, Arlington.



THE accompanying photograph taken in the Recorder's office shows the Potentate and Recorder examining the new Addressograph Equipment recently purchased by the Temple to replace old equipment in use for the last 25 years and to augment the printing and mailing equipment necessary in the operation of the recording department of a large organization, such as Aleppo Temple.

The new equipment also included a complete new list of 16,000 Addressograph mailing plates cut by the Addressograph Co. In processing a list of this magnitude, some errors are bound to creep in. Therefore, to assist us in eliminating any possible mistakes contained in these new mailing plates, Nobles of Aleppo are requested to check the envelope in which this Ceremonial Notice was received. If there is any error, please make correction on the envelope itself and return to the Recorder's Office, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston 16, Massachusetts.

THE CIRCUS DADDY CLUB

Aleppo Temple is sincerely grateful to the Nobles who have continued to send in checks for the Shrine Circus Daddy Club. This has assisted us in making up the extra ticket requirements created by the overflow of children who attended the Shrine Circus as our guests.

There are still a few score Nobles who have not yet made returns on their Circus Ticket Books. We would appreciate hearing from them.

CIRCUS DADDY LIST NO. 3

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I. L. Fine	M. Link	D. W. Merrick
P. Foshay	R. March	T. R. Mortola
C. D. Harrington	M. Mauhar	W. G. Murphy
L. Levenson	E. B. Norman	V. A. O'Donnell
R. Lindsay	J. M. Sparks	H. O. Peterson, Jr.
J. R. Webb	G. Wilson	A. P. Ruddock
A. A. Williams	C. E. Woodman	H. N. Squires, Jr.
B. Zelinsky	B. H. Eddy	R. B. Winslow, D.M.D.
J. J. Bevan	W. H. Anderson	C. I. Wolf
L. J. Hoepfner	J. D. Giatas	L. B. Cheney
F. E. W. Lazenby	E. N. Gosselin	G. Hanoian
D. H. Stewart	R. L. Graham	E. D. Robinson
R. Fridolin	R. A. Johnson	S. Frank
J. M. Gavel	R. J. Lockhart	G. W. Howland
F. S. Adams	M. Nadelberg	G. A. Johnson
R. C. Baughman	E. U. Nicholson	J. Katz
G. Fischer	H. G. Snelder	W. A. McSorley, Jr.
R. G. Reed	E. Brown	L. F. Seserman
R. B. Winslow	J. A. Chalker	R. A. Walsh
L. D. Chisholm	C. J. Chapman	P. T. Woodfin
G. W. Crosby	L. S. Chilson	K. W. Blennerhassett
S. Peterson	E. G. Dreyfus	I. E. Stone
P. H. Gordon	J. Fuhs	
S. Keller	J. Kennedy	

NEW SHRINE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the country for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

MASONIC ENTERTAINMENT STARS

HERE they are! Cowboys, crooners, opera stars, matinee idols, comedians, directors . . . your talented Masonic Brethren of today and yesterday! Here are entertainment stars and artists whose names circle the globe and who took the great easterly voyage toward the beautiful Light of Masonic Brotherhood: *Gene Autry* — the popular screen star is a member of Al Malaikah Shrine Temple in Los Angeles . . . *Phil Baker* — Keystone Lodge 235, New York City. A popular comedian since Radio's beginning in the early 20's . . . *Edwin Booth* — New York Lodge 330. Raised on September 23, 1857. This great actor of Shakespearian plays on the New York Stage was born in 1833 and died in 1893 at age 60 . . . *Joe E. Brown* — Rubicon Lodge 237, Toledo, Ohio, and Al Malaikah Shrine Temple, Los Angeles. He was born in 1892 at Holgate, Ohio, and is the father of Joe L. Brown, General Manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates . . . *Eddie Cantor* — Munn Lodge 190, New York City. The popular minstrel man was raised on June 23, 1921 . . . *Cecil B. DeMille* — Prince of Orange 16, New York City. The famed movie producer filmed the "King of Kings" and others . . . *Leon Errol* — Pacific Lodge 233, New York City . . . *Douglas Fairbanks, Sr.* — Beverly Hills Lodge 528. He was also a member of the "223 Club" with membership limited to Masons in the movie colony. His son, Jr. is also reported as being a member of the Craft . . . *Arthur Godfrey* — Acacia Lodge 18, Washington, D. C., also belongs to Almas Shrine Temple and received his 32° in Albert Pike Consistory in Washington on May 18, 1937 . . . *Freeman Gosden* — Petersburg Lodge 15, Petersburg, Virginia. The one-half of the famous "Amos and Andy" radio team was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on June 30, 1922 . . . *David W. Griffith* — St. Cecile Lodge 568, New York City. The famous movie producer who gave us the "Birth of a Nation" . . . *Walter Hampden* — Howard Lodge 35, New York City, great Shakespearian stage actor . . . *De Wolf Hopper* — Pacific Lodge 233, New York City. He was raised in 1890 . . . *Harry Houdini* — St. Cecile Lodge 568, New York City. The great magician was Raised August 21, 1923 . . . *Al Jolson* — St. Cecile 568, New York City. The famous blackface who starred in the first all-talking movie, singing "Mammy," was Raised on July 1, 1913. Al was also a member of Mecca Shrine Temple of New York City . . . *Harold Lloyd* — Alexander Hamilton Lodge 535 in Los Angeles. Harold and his father were made Royal Arch Masons on the same evening. The star of the silent screen is a Past Potentate of Al Malaikah Shrine Temple and also was the Imperial Potentate of the Shrine in 1949. He was born in 1893 . . . *Tom Mix* — Tom was a member of the "233 Club" and the Scottish Rite bodies in Los Angeles, although we do not have his Blue Lodge . . . *Will Rogers* — Claremore Lodge 53 at Claremore, Oklahoma. William Penn Adair Rogers was raised on March 3, 1906 and received his 32° at McAlester, Oklahoma, on April 16, 1908 . . . *Milton Sills* — Pacific Lodge 233, New York City. Sills was the first Vice President and Charter Member of the "233 Club" exclusively for Masons in the film industry, and the assumption is that the Club was named for his New York Pacific Lodge 233 . . . *Richard "Red" Skelton* — Vincennes Lodge 1, Vincennes, Indiana. He is also a Shriner of Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles . . . *Lowell Thomas* — St. John's Lodge, Boston. This world renowned radio Newscaster was Raised on February 7, 1927 and affiliated as a dual-member in 1941 with Kane Lodge 454, New York City . . . *Howard Thurston* — Manitou Lodge 106, New York City. The great magician was Raised on July 22, 1907 and received his 32° in New York City on July 10, 1910 . . . *Gus Wayne* — Silver Trowel Lodge 415, Los Angeles. He was known to millions of radio and television listeners as "Johnny" of the Philip Morris program and was Raised on July 29, 1951 . . . *Bert Williams* — Waverly Lodge 597, Edinburgh, Scotland. Bert was a colored musical man, born Egbert Austin Williams in 1877, enjoyed a successful career on the stage and when he died in March of 1922, was given a full Masonic funeral by St. Cecile Lodge 568 in the Grand Lodge room of the New York Grand Lodge . . . *Adolph Zuckor* — Centennial Lodge 763, New York City. Brother

Zuckor was in the fur business before becoming a movie producer . . . *General Tom Thumb*, whose real name was Charles S. Stratton, was initiated in St. John's Lodge 3, Bridgeport, Connecticut, October 1, 1862. He was 35 inches tall and weighed 52 pounds. He was given Masonic burial in 1883 at the age of 45. Educated and widely traveled, Stratton parlayed his Lilliputianism into a fortune both for himself and Brother P. T. Barnum. His wife was a member of Golden Gate Chapter 1, O.E.S., California.

Masonic Inspiration

INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP RECORD ATTAINED BY ALEPPO

ALEPPO TEMPLE set another record in Shrinedom during the year 1955 by a net gain in membership of 1,017. This net gain of over one thousand was the largest among the 166 Shrine Temples in North America.

The next largest net gain was posted by the largest Temple in Shrinedom, Syria Temple of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who, with a membership of 23,751, showed a net gain of 928.

The Shrine membership figures recently released by the national office show the total number of Shriners in North America to be 761,175, a net gain of 21,135 for Shrinedom in North America for 1955.

Following is a list of the ten largest Temples in Shrinedom:

Syria	23,751	Murat	13,675
Al Malaikah	21,529	Al Koran	12,927
Medinah	20,028	Aladdin	11,691
Aleppo	15,644	Nile	11,111
Moslem	14,509	Crescent	10,590

As we reflect on last year's record, we must be reminded that there is no time in life to stand still . . . we are either on our way up or on our way down, and cannot coast; neither can our enthusiasm to sell Shrinedom coast! Our task to build membership is ever present. Without candidates and new members, Aleppo would cease to exist. To maintain our growth, we must have the continued efforts and interest of all Nobles. We urge every Noble of Aleppo to search out an eligible York or Scottish Rite friend to sign a petition for membership in Aleppo, that we may continue to go forward in 1956, with the possibility of maintaining our record of achievement to the end that when the Reports are made for this year, it can well be said, "Aleppo clicks in '56."

THE PADRE SPEAKS

My Brethren: From time to time publications come to my desk from various Temples of the Shrine; they are always welcome; they are invariably interesting; and they sometimes contain material that ought to be read by every Noble.

Some months ago Murat Temple (Indianapolis) published something so good and worthy that, with due acknowledgment to the Brethren there, I'd like to pass it on:

"The man who comes to the Shrine has his Masonic origin in the Blue Lodge, where he was taught to reverence the name of God and pray for guidance. He came on through one of the Rites where his knowledge of the dignity of Masonry was expanded, and the Shrine was provided for him as a place where he might join with his brothers for fun, pleasure and amusement.

"The Shrine was not and is not given to Masons as a place for exercising practices that would not be tolerated in the Masonic bodies, or which are taboo among gentlemen.

"The Shrine stands for all of Masonry and for wholesome-ness in life.

"It stands for letting in the sunshine on discouragement and grief and woe, and it would substitute hope for despair at all times.

"Without the formalities that attend the degrees in Masonry, it brings members in close fraternal touch and it breeds confidence between wearers of the scimitar and the crescent."

"INTERESTING MASONIC HIGHLIGHTS" (Courtesy "Masonic Inspiration")

Meet the man with the "Most Masonic Name" — *Hiram Ahiff Boaz*, Methodist Bishop from Little Rock, Ark. When he became superintendent of Southern Methodist missions in the Orient, Shanghai Masons invited him to speak in their Lodge. How did he get the Masonic name? He doubts that his father was a member of the Craft. And the Bishop says he was certainly surprised when he was made a Mason to learn the cause for all the curious stares from Masons as he signed hotel registers, etc. When he was raised it was the first time in Masonic history that Hiram Ahiff Boaz had been exalted to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Bishop Boaz virtually founded Southern Methodist University. He has many an enlightening tale about his unusual name, including the time he was admitted to a great Mosque in the Holy Land by merely telling the keeper his full name.

The oldest Lodge in the world is Mother Kilwinning at Kilwinning, Scotland. It has no number and its origin dates back to the 12th century. Kilwinning Lodge was founded by a group of perambulating architects under the name of Traveling Freemasons. It is probable that this same group constructed the Abbey at Kilwinning.

The only Masonic President to have been made a Mason "at sight" was William Howard Taft. This interesting ceremony took place in Kilwinning Lodge 385, Cincinnati, Ohio. Grand Master Charles S. Hoskinson of Ohio exercised his prerogative to shorten the ceremonies so that the Three Degrees could be conferred upon one occasion. President Taft was a frequent visitor to Masonic Lodges in Washington during his term of office.

Mark Twain, born Samuel Langhorne Clemens, was raised in Polar Star Lodge No. 79, St. Louis, Mo., on July 10, 1861 . . . the immortal creator of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn was an ardent Feemason all his adult life.

A. F. & A. M. — F. & A. M.

MANY Masons are puzzled why some Grand Lodges designate themselves A. F. & A. M. and others, F. & A. M. Before the United Grand Lodge of England was formed in 1813, there were two Grand Lodges existing in England. One was known as the "Ancients" and the other as the "Moderns." Both of the Grand Lodges issued charters to lodges in the U. S. A. Those chartered by the Moderns, which was the older Grand Lodge in England, used the title F. & A. M. Those chartered by the Ancients used A. F. & A. M.

As for the principle and ritual of Grand Lodges in the United States using either of these titles, there is practically no difference except such as the Grand Lodges legislate.

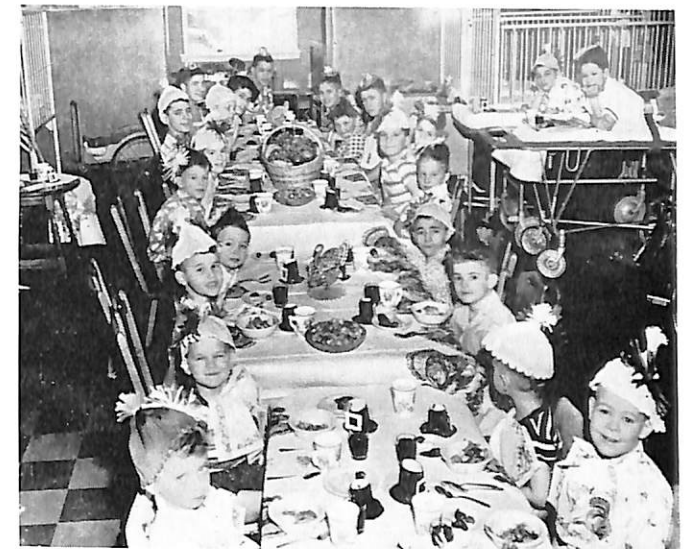
There are in the United States 49 Grand Jurisdictions of which 25 use A. F. & A. M., 23 using F. & A. M., one A. F. M. (Ancient Free Masons) South Carolina.

The Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts do not have lodge numbers.

OUR RECORDER'S LAMENT

He hopes you'll get the gist of this, it's really nothing new; He only wants to tell you that your dues are way past due. He hates to be a kicker, he always longs for peace, But the wheel that does the squeaking is the one that gets the grease.

So he's squeaking rather quietly, he hopes that you won't mind. Please pay your dues this very day — now won't you be so kind? The art of soft soap spreading is a thing that palls and stales But the guy who wields the hammer is the guy who drives the nails. And he's driving, driving, driving, so your dues he'll surely get He knows you are a sporting soul, your dues you'll pay, he'll bet He doesn't think it's needful to holler any more He only wants to get your dues — and not to get you sore.



A Birthday Party, Boys' Ward — Springfield Unit Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, Springfield, Mass.

COUPLE LEAVES LEGACY TO SHRINERS' HOSPITAL

GALLANTLY the whitehaired gentleman helped his wife out of the ancient auto. Arm-in-arm, they walked up the steps of the Philadelphia Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

They had traveled some 70 miles and they wondered whether they would be permitted to visit the children.

The request was granted so readily the old man plainly was surprised. He explained he and his wife drove to an orphanage in Connecticut several weeks earlier where the man in charge was too busy to see them.

"We asked them to write and let us know if we could visit the youngsters," he said. "They never wrote."

But the doors of Shriners Hospital were thrown open to them. They laughed and joked with the children. They called several times.

Gradually the story came out. They had recently lost their son. Now they were searching for reminders of the little boy he used to be. They found the memories in Shriners Hospital.

The visits stopped. Officials learned the devoted couple had passed away only several months apart.

But they had not forgotten the children of Shriners Hospital. In their will they left \$1,400,000 to that Philadelphia institution that had warmed them in the winter of their years.

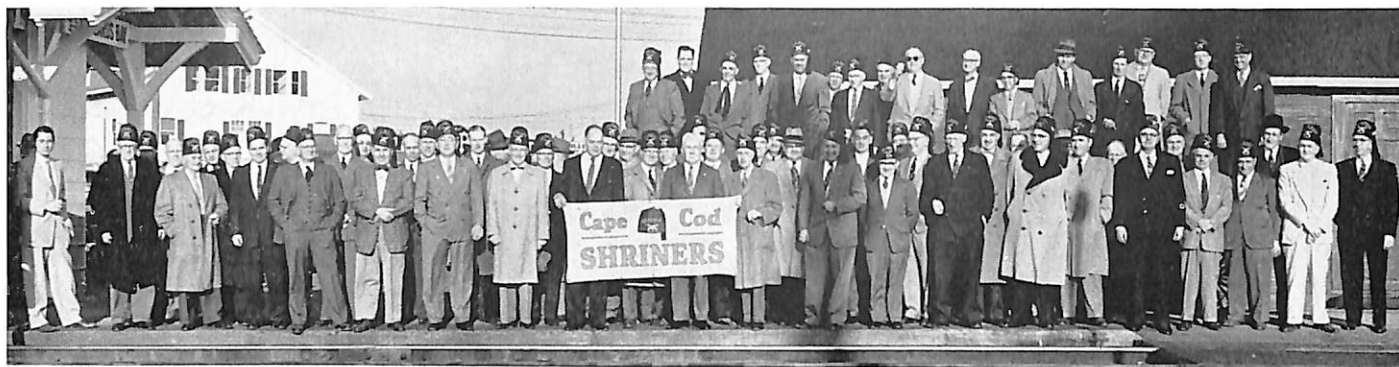
The hospital asked that they not be identified. But their names are inscribed in the golden leaves of the volume of donors. It's the "Book of Gold" in a glass-enclosed case in the lobby.

Listed here also is a former patient, a little girl, who sent in several pennies.

That Philadelphia hospital is only one of the 17 Shriners' hospitals throughout North America.

— By John Frasca

**GET A CANDIDATE FOR
THE CEREMONIAL, APRIL 24, 1956**



A Modern Caravan forming on Cape Cod for an excursion from the Sand Dunes of Cape Cod to the Hot Sands of Aleppo.

CAPE COD SPECIAL

A GROUP of Aleppo Shriners residing on Cape Cod have announced that they have again made arrangements with the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad for a special "Budd Shoreliner" to bring the Cape Shriners to our Ceremonial, Tuesday, April 24, 1956.

In charge of arrangements is Potentate's Ambassador Eugene Cole of Hyannis, who announced the following schedule for Nobles who wish to board this "Aleppo Special"—

Leave Orleans at 1:00 p.m., stopping at Pleasant Lake, 1:15; South Dennis, 1:25; Yarmouth, 1:36; Barnstable, 1:40; Sandwich, 1:52; Wareham, 2:08; and Back Bay at 3:27 p.m.

On the return trip, the "Special" will leave Back Bay at 10:25 p.m., making stops at the above stations, arriving at Orleans at 12:40 a.m.

NOTES FROM THE RECORDER YOUR 1956 SHRINE CARD

NOBLE, you will need your 1956 Shrine Card to attend Aleppo's Spring Ceremonial and Oyster Festival, Tuesday, April 24, 1956, so why not get it now.

If you will do this it will avoid a lot of confusion in the Shrine Office the day of the meeting, and will save you a lot of time and permit you to enjoy the meeting a great deal more. It will also permit your Shrine Office to function more efficiently. So, if you have not obtained your 1956 Shrine Card yet, be a good Noble and mail your check today. Your card will be immediately returned to you.

NEW MEMBERS

Noble, have you had the thrill of sponsoring a candidate for membership in Aleppo recently? How about searching out a prospect and signing him up for this big Spring Ceremonial? By doing so, you will make at least two people happy . . . yourself and the candidate.

If you know of a Noble who belongs to another Temple and has moved into our jurisdiction, invite him to affiliate with Aleppo. There is no charge for affiliation and if his Demit from the other Temple is issued in the current year, there is no charge for dues or assessments for the balance of the year. To affiliate with Aleppo, it is only necessary for a Noble to obtain a Demit from his present Temple and file it with Aleppo, accompanied by a Petition for Affiliation. Petitions are available from the Recorder.

REINSTATEMENTS

There are many Nobles who, in the past, have not found it possible to keep up their dues and have had to relinquish their membership. We would welcome these Nobles back in the Shrine. If you know of any, have them contact the Recorder, who will advise them how easy and reasonable it is to Reinstate, provided they are in good standing in their prerequisite organizations.

Don't forget to notify the Recorder if you move. Your Ceremonial notices and other communications may not be forwarded to you by the Post Office if you have a new address.

COMING EVENTS

1956 Dates of Ceremonials and Other Events Northern Shrine Association Temples

Annual Fall Field Day and Election of Officers of the Northeastern Shrine Association

Friday and Saturday, September 14 and 15, 1956
Portland, Maine — Kora Temple Host

ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Friday, June 1 Ceremonial — Imperial Potentate's Visitation, Mechanics Building, Boston

Saturday, June 2 All-Masonic Night, Boston Garden. Sponsored by Aleppo Temple. Tickets issued through Blue Lodge only

Wednesday, August 29 Shrine Baseball Day, Fenway Park, Boston Red Sox vs. Detroit Tigers (If rained out, next day)

Saturday, December 1 Full Form Ceremonial, Mechanics Building

ANAH TEMPLE, BANGOR, MAINE

Saturday, June 9 Joint Ceremonial with Kora Temple at Bangor

BEKTASH TEMPLE, CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Saturday, May 12 Ceremonial at Armory, Manchester N. H.

Saturday, August 25 Shrine Football Game, Manchester, N. H.

CAIRO TEMPLE, RUTLAND, VERMONT

Saturday, May 19 Ceremonial at Rutland

Saturday, August 18 Clambake at Rutland

Saturday, December 8 Ceremonial at Rutland

KARNAK TEMPLE, MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA

Saturday, June 2 Ceremonial at Montreal

Saturday, December 8 Ceremonial (Tentative date)

KORA TEMPLE, LEWISTON, MAINE

Saturday, June 9 Joint Ceremonial with Anah Temple at Bangor

Friday and Saturday, September 14 and 15 Northeastern Shrine Association Annual Fall Field Day, Portland, Maine

MELHA TEMPLE, SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Saturday, May 5 Ceremonial at Springfield

Saturday, December 8 Ceremonial (Tentative date)

MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VERMONT

Saturday, May 26 Ceremonial at Montpelier

Saturday, August 25 Shrine Football Game, Manchester, N. H.

Friday, October 12 Ceremonial and Ladies' Night, Montpelier

PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

Saturday, May 19 Ceremonial at West Haven Armory, West Haven

Saturday, December 15 Ceremonial at Bridgeport

SPHINX TEMPLE, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Saturday, May 26 Ceremonial at Manchester, Conn.

Saturday, December 15 Ceremonial at Hartford, Conn.

ALEPPO TEMPLE

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SPRING CEREMONIAL and STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
OFFICIAL VISITATION of the IMPERIAL POTENTATE
FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1956



*"To the Glory of God and to All Humankind, Regardless of Race, Creed or Color,
Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children are Dedicated"*

The Potentate's Message



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE HERMAN C. McSTAY

Dear Nobles:

A GREAT many of the 5,000 Nobles who attended our Spring Ceremonial and Oyster Festival rated it as one of our best Ceremonial meetings. We are naturally very grateful to receive such good reports from our members for we strive to make our Ceremonials as pleasing to the Nobility as is humanly possible. There is a saying: "You can't build a reputation on things you are going to do." Be that as it may, we can at least try; so we are willing to go out on a limb and ask you to wait until our next two Ceremonials . . . the one scheduled for June 1 and the other on Saturday, December 1. We feel quite positive you haven't seen anything yet! We advise you not to miss these two dates and to jot them down now.

At our June 1 Ceremonial, we will be host to Walter C. Guy, Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, a member of Scimitar Temple, Little Rock, Arkansas. This will be our Imperial Potentate's official visitation to Aleppo Temple and our June Class will be named in his honor. Imperial Walter is a real fellow, the kind who makes a good Shriner, and we are planning to send him on his way with a lasting impression of what a great Temple — situated in the Oasis of Boston — Aleppo really is.

The Uniformed Units are all prepared to put on a colorful drill display, the equal of which has never been seen before in Aleppo Temple. Plans are also underway by our Degree Staff to have the sands more than a little hot that night. This is your chance, Nobles, to bring in that novice — he will enjoy it one way or another, either actively or from a seat on the sidelines, as he desires. Remember, Nobles, the Shrine is Masonry in action, for only in the Shrine can you enjoy the very best in fun, pleasure and fraternal sociability. So come

on, Nobles, let's have fun and more fun. It's the best youthful tonic in the world.

The much tooted December 1 meeting will be publicized in due time through the facilities of your Aleppo News.

No, Nobles! We are not forgetting the kiddies of our own members. Many requests have been received to know if we are holding another Family Picnic this year. We are happy to state that we are, and we promise you that this year's affair will be even bigger and better. Last year over 3,000 kiddies with their families attended the Outing and this year we are planning to take care of 5,000 or more. Nobles, it is up to you. If you or your children missed last year's event, be sure you don't miss this year's. It's just another activity in Aleppo that you can enjoy to your heart's content, along with the privilege of being a Shriner. The date is Friday, June 29, 1956, at beautiful Norumbega Park. You will be notified by direct mail how to obtain your tickets for this event.

It's time to sing that old favorite refrain, "Take me out to the ball game." We are happy to inform you that we are all set for another grand day at the ball park — the Detroit Tigers versus the Boston Red Sox, Wednesday, August 29, 1956. Remember that over 6,000 Nobles with their families attended Aleppo's day at the ball park last year. Let's make it a bigger day this year. You will be notified in due time how to obtain tickets for yourself and family.

Nobles! Look on another page of this issue for an opportunity to take part in a very special event in conjunction with the Armed Forces Chemical Association Convention to be held in Boston June 14 and 15, 1956, in tribute to the men and women of the United States Navy. It's exclusive and limited.

The All-Masonic Night, sponsored by Aleppo Temple to be held in the Boston Garden Saturday, June 2, honoring our Most Worshipful Grand Master and all Massachusetts Masonry, is absolutely a sell-out. No more tickets are available. We remind you again, Nobles, that it is Shrinedom's night for Masonry.

There are approximately 12,000 York and Scottish Rite Masons within the jurisdiction of Aleppo Temple who are available for membership in the Shrine. Perhaps they would like to be called a Noble or a Shriner. No doubt there are many of them residing right in your own community, and you probably attend lodge with them. You surely must know of one friend who can pass the Moslem test, and who likes action, color, and Oriental pageantry as well as the joy and fun of belonging to the greatest fraternal organization of its kind in the world. Then again, perhaps they would like to bask in the Sunshine of the Shrine and become a part of the greatest philanthropy in the world — "The Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children." Ask him to join. Tell him that the Shrine is the modern idea in fraternalism, and that particularly in Aleppo Temple, he will have the greatest opportunity to enjoy Masonry in action.

Let's go, Nobles! Track down one or more of these prospective Neophytes — dust off your red Fez-topped noggin and lead him to the elixir of youth — Aleppo's Ceremonial and Strawberry Festival, Mechanics Building, Friday evening, June 1, 1956. He will enjoy it and you will enjoy it more.

Yours for more Fun and Sunshine,

Illustrious Potentate

The Imperial Potentate



ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE WALTER C. GUY

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ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE WALTER C. GUY
Imperial Potentate

WALTER C. GUY of Little Rock, Arkansas, Chairman of the Board, Arkansas Printing and Lithographing Company, Arkansas Stationery and Furniture Company, Ark-N-Sets, Inc., and Executive Services, Inc., was born on April 9, 1891. His education was obtained in the schools of his native state of Indiana and Chicago University.

After devoting nine years in the field of education in Illinois and Missouri High Schools, he entered the commercial field as a salesman for Certain-teed Products Corporation, building materials manufacturers. After travelling two years in Oklahoma for that company, he entered Federal Service in 1921 as an official of the U. S. Veterans Bureau with headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri.

In 1926, he re-entered sales work and after one year as representative of Remington Rand in St. Louis, Mo., that company promoted and transferred him to Little Rock, Arkansas as the Manager of their office. Two years later he was made Regional Manager of Remington Rand with headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee.

In 1931 he returned to Little Rock and became President of Arkansas Printing and Lithographing Company. Through expansion efforts additional lines were added and in 1950 three subsidiary Corporations were established. He now serves as Chairman of the Board of each Corporation.

Having become permanently established in Little Rock, he devoted considerable time to the civic activities of his community. He is a Past President of the Little Rock Community Chest, the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce and the Little Rock Kiwanis Club. An active member of the First Methodist Church, North Little Rock, Arkansas, he became President of the Men's Bible Class and served on the Board of Stewards. He was elected to the Board of Trustees of Arkansas Children's Home and Hospital.

He is a Past Governor of the Eighth Region, National Stationers Association and Past President of the Southern Graphic Arts Association. At present he is Vice President of the Arkansas Livestock Show Association and a member of Riverdale Country Club.

Active for many years in Masonic Circles, he is a Past Master of Trinity Lodge No. 694, Little Rock, a 33rd degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knight Templar, a Past Potentate of Scimitar Temple of Little Rock, a Legion of Honor-Order of DeMolay, Past Director Court No. 12, Royal Order of Jesters and Past President of Central States Shrine Association.

He was married in 1912 and his family consists of his wife, Lura, and son, Richard.

He was elected to the Imperial Divan in San Francisco, California in 1946.

IMPERIAL DIVAN OFFICERS
for 1955-1956

Walter C. Guy	Imperial Potentate
Scimitar Temple, Little Rock, Arkansas	
Gerald D. Crary	Deputy Imperial Potentate
Naja Temple, Deadwood, South Dakota	
Thomas W. Melham	Imperial Chief Rabban
Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	
George E. Stringfellow	Imperial Assistant Rabban
Crescent Temple, Trenton, New Jersey	
Clayton F. Andrews	Imperial High Priest and Prophet
Sesostri Temple, Lincoln, Nebraska	
George A. Mattison, Jr.	Imperial Oriental Guide
Zamora Temple, Birmingham, Alabama	
Leonard P. Steuart	Imperial Treasurer
Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.	
George M. Saunders	Imperial Recorder
Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Missouri	
Marshall M. Porter	Imperial First Ceremonial Master
Al Azhar Temple, Calgary, Alberta, Canada	
George M. Klepper	Imperial Second Ceremonial Master
Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tennessee	
Harold C. Close	Imperial Marshal
Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Connecticut	
O. Carlyle Brock	Imperial Captain of the Guard
Zem Zem Temple, Erie, Pennsylvania	
Barney W. Collins	Imperial Outer Guard
Anezeh Temple, Mexico City, Mexico	
R. D. Adams	Imperial Chaplain
Scimitar Temple, Little Rock, Arkansas	

1956
ALEPPO TEMPLE PERSONNEL
DIVAN — APPOINTED OFFICERS

ELECTED DIVAN
HERMAN C. McSTAY... POTENTATE
GEORGE A. WEEKS... CHIEF RABBAN
EDGAR L. TURNER... ASSISTANT RABBAN
FREDERIC B. DUNCAN... HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET
FRANCIS R. SAGLE... ORIENTAL GUIDE
JUSTIN A. DUNCAN, P.P. ... TREASURER
HARVEY B. LEGGEE... RECORDER

PAST POTENTATES
Ill. Clarence J. McKenzie
Ill. Harry G. Pollard
Ill. James J. Curry
Ill. Robert G. Wilson, Jr.
Ill. Willard P. Lombard
Ill. Arthur A. Sondheim
Ill. Justin A. Duncan
Ill. Frank B. Ells
Ill. N. Russell Lynn
Ill. Lawson W. Oakes
Ill. Arthur G. MacKenzie
Ill. Gerald F. Zedren

TEMPLE OFFICERS
George B. Rowell... First Ceremonial Master
James C. Bayley... Second Ceremonial Master
Alfred C. Sandberg... Director
Walter W. Benson... Marshal
William A. Odell... Captain of the Guard
Cecil C. Marble... Outer Guard
Frank B. Ells, P. P. ... Assistant Treasurer

APPOINTED OFFICERS
Whitfield W. Johnson... Grand Lodge Representative
Claude L. Allen... Scottish Rite Representative
Mortimer W. Schroeder... York Rite Representative
Willard P. Lombard, P.P. ... Order of DeMolay Representative
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Benjamin R. Vaughan... Commander Uniform Units
Rangnar Fridolin... Major, Arab Patrol
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Reginald M. Cunningham... Captain, Mounted Patrol
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Assistant Treasurer
Appointed January 27, 1956

RECORDER'S OFFICE MODERNIZED

WITH the cooperation and know-how of our Assistant Treasurer Illustrious Noble Frank B. Ells, the office of our Recorder has been completely equipped with modern business machines to facilitate the processing of the detail that goes with the keeping of records and the mailing of notices. Many new pieces of equipment were purchased in the past year. Also, the office was enlarged, making it much easier for the Recorder and his staff to perform their work efficiently. All in all, approximately \$12,000.00 was allotted to completely modernize and renovate the Recorder's office. Illustrious Noble Ells, from his knowledge and experience in office systems and office machinery, was of immeasurable assistance in working with your Potentate and Recorder to obtain and install the most practical equipment for our particular needs. For over 34 years Illustrious Noble Ells has been a Systems Sales Engineer for the largest manufacturer of business systems and machinery in the world. He is a graduate of the University of Maine, Phi Kappa Fraternity. He is a member of Rural Lodge in Quincy, St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, Boston Council, R. & S. M., Past Commander of Boston Commandery, Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple, Treasurer of the Royal Order of Jesters, and a member of the Finance Committee of Aleppo Temple since its inception, and Comptroller to the Potentate and Finance Committee. He is also a Trustee of the Boston Penny Savings Bank. Your Potentate takes this opportunity through the Aleppo News to thank him for his invaluable assistance and knowledge in modernizing and systematizing the office of our Recorder.

DON'T BE EMBARRASSED
REMOVE YOUR DECALS

It has come to our attention that in trading in the old car for a new one, some of our Nobles are not removing their Shrine emblems — particularly this is true of the decals. One of our Nobles recently suffered some embarrassment when he approached a car bearing a Shrine decal and addressed the owner as "Noble." The owner didn't know what he was talking about, and upon further questioning, it was learned that the present owner had purchased the car as a used one with decal still a part of the car. The new owner didn't even know the meaning or significance of it. Every Noble should treat the Shrine emblem as a sacred possession — he paid for the privilege of wearing and displaying it in some form or other. It is only natural that to see a Shrine emblem displayed is to take it for granted that the owner is a Noble. If you have a Shrine emblem or decal on your car, please be sure that it is removed before it leaves your possession. It is your duty to always protect the badge of a Shriner.

SCOTTISH RITE DEDICATES CLASS
TO ILL. CLAUDE L. ALLEN

ILLUSTRIOUS Claude Leroy Allen, 33°, of Boston, Deputy for the Scottish Rite Bodies for Massachusetts, is to be honored by the Scottish Rite Bodies of Boston, Lowell, Worcester, Salem, Lawrence and Haverhill, who are working together to present him with the largest class of candidates ever initiated in New England. The class of candidates will be known as the "Claude Leroy Allen Class" and will be initiated at special ceremonies to be held on two Saturdays. Ordinarily the Degrees are conferred on four successive Fridays but dispensation has been received to permit the conferring of the Perfection, Princes and Rose Croix Degrees all on one Saturday in each of the various Valleys. These candidates will then receive their Consistory Degrees as members of the "Claude Leroy Allen Class" at a special meeting to be held Saturday, November 17, at Symphony Hall, Boston. Officers of the Supreme Council, 33°, and many of the Deputies for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction will be among the many prominent Masons of the Fraternity to attend these ceremonies.

Having all the Degrees presented on two Saturdays will make it possible for many of the brethren who travel during the week, or those who have professional duties or other work not permitting them to attend on Fridays, to receive their Thirty-Second Degree, and will give them the opportunity in this shorter period to become members of the big Fall Class of Aleppo Temple on Saturday, December 1, 1956.

In the Valley of Boston the Degrees for the first three Bodies will be presented at John Hancock Hall on Saturday, October 27, starting in the early afternoon and continuing through the early evening. Applications for this class must be filed in the office of the Scottish Rite Secretary, Frank B. Lawler, 51 Boylston Street, Boston, before October 5. However, the fees for these Degrees need not be paid until October 1 for the applications filed at this time or prior to that date.

Ill. Claude Leroy Allen, 33°, for whom this class is being named, has had a long and distinguished Masonic record. He has been a Mason for 50 years, the Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, an active member of the Supreme Council, 33° for 20 years, and the Deputy for Massachusetts since 1948. He is also an active member of the York Rite Bodies and Aleppo Temple. He has been practicing law for over 50 years. He is President of the Melrose Hospital Association, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Melrose Trust Company, and a Director of several other banks.

In past years other Past Grand Masters have been similarly honored by having Scottish Rite Classes dedicated to them. M.W. Arthur D. Prince in 1946, a former Deputy for Massachusetts, M.W. Melvin M. Johnson in 1951, who was for 20 years the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, 33° for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and M.W. Thomas Sherrard Roy in 1953. All of these distinguished Thirty-Third Degree Masons served as Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. These three specially dedicated classes each lead to a surge forward in the growth, interest and enthusiasm in Scottish Rite Masonry, which has resulted in the doubling of membership in the past ten years.

The Illustrious Commander and Chief of Massachusetts Consistory, Hubert N. Bernard, Jr., has appointed Ill. Herbert N. Faulkner, 33°, of Melrose as General Chairman of the Committee. He is being assisted by the following officers and members of the various Bodies: Bro. Donald W. Vose of Wellesley, Bro. Carl W. Trempf of Belmont, Bro. Lester B. Young representing the Valley of Boston, Ill. Wilbur Merrill, 33° of the Valley of Salem, Bro. William Graham of the Valley of Worcester, Bro. Lawrence G. Dodge of the Valley of Haverhill, Ill. Walter B. French, 33° of the Valley of Lowell, and Bro. Raeburn B. Hathaway of the Valley of Lawrence.

It has been said that not only is Scottish Rite a great adventure in friendship, but that it puts "new life" into Masonry. If so, it is hoped this Class will open a new and wonderful pathway to many members of our beloved Fraternity, to the priceless treasure chest of friendship, brotherhood and faith found behind its doors.

A SALUTE TO THE UNITED STATES NAVY

YOUR Potentate has been working for over a year to arrange a special event that would in some part take the place this year of our Luncheons. Arrangements have been completed for a limited number of our Nobility to participate, in conjunction with the National Armed Forces Chemical Association Convention being held for the first time in Boston, June 14 and June 15, 1956, in a tribute to the men and women of the United States Navy.

On Thursday, June 14, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., you will have an opportunity to hear some of the most prominent men in this country speak on satellites, rocket exploration, weapon engineering, the changing role of the scientist, oil and the atom, as well as other subjects of extreme importance to our country and our future world. This meeting will be held in Kresge Auditorium, M. I. T., Cambridge, Massachusetts. (Admission by ticket only.)

On Friday, June 15, you will be treated to the highlight event of the Convention and an experience that you may never have again — at least in this part of our country. You will have the privilege of going aboard the U. S. S. Carrier Antietam, or on a destroyer, to witness real battle action at sea. There will be gun shoots by destroyers and carrier, the launching of 6S2F's and 6AD's; the dropping of depth charges on targets, destroyer smoke screens; jet planes making a coordinated attack on the carrier; and a display by the greatest jet squadron in the world, "The Blue Angels." You will eat with the men of the ship in general mess (could be with your boy or your neighbor's boy). You will be at sea from 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

On Friday evening, you will have the opportunity of attending a banquet at the Hotel Somerset where the speaker of the evening will be the Honorable Clifford C. Furnas, Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, his subject being "Molecules and Men."

Although the ladies cannot go aboard the ships, special events have been arranged for them, and of great interest. You may also include your boy, if he is over 14 years of age. (He may board ships to sea.)

The cost of your application for the entire event is \$25.00. If you want your boy to accompany you, his fee is also \$25.00. Ladies may be included for the entire events at \$21.00.

A generous portion of your application fee will be contributed to "Naval Relief" for the men on the ships taking part in this fleet operation.

This event is not being urged upon you; it is only an opportunity that comes once in a lifetime, and is extended to the Nobility of Aleppo Temple only. (Fraternal)

IT MUST BE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT RESERVATIONS MUST BE ON A FIRST-RESERVED, FIRST-COM-FIRMED BASIS, due to restrictions as to the number allowed on the carrier and destroyers, and at the banquet.

The Time and Place Schedule

Thursday, June 14 — 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., M. I. T. Kresge Auditorium, Cambridge
Friday, June 15 — 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island
Friday evening — Banquet, 7:30 p.m., Hotel Somerset, Boston.

Speakers

Dr. James R. Killiam, Jr., President, M. I. T.
Albert E. Forster, President, Hercules Powder Company
Dr. Joseph Kaplan, U. S. National Academy of Sciences
Dr. Simon Ramo, The Ramo-Wooldridge Corp.
Dr. James F. Black, Esso Research and Engineering Co.
Banquet — Hon. Clifford C. Furnas, Department of Defense

Reservations will close the day our limit is reached, but in any event, not later than Monday, May 28, 1956.

Reservations may be made by written request only to Potentate Herman C. McStay, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston 16, Massachusetts. Give name and address of those who wish to participate and ENCLOSE checks, payable to Aleppo Temple, to cover all expenses. (Noble, \$25.00; Lady, \$21.00; Son, over 14 years of age, \$25.00) Send self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of tickets.

NOTE: Tickets by mail order only.

SHRINE CLUBS FETE POTENTATE

FOUR of Aleppo's Shrine Clubs chose the month of May for their Annual Visitations of Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay, accompanied by his Divan, Past Potentates, and Appointed Officers.

On Wednesday, May 2, The North Shore Shrine Club held their affair at the New Ocean House, Swampscott, with a Ladies' Night Dinner and Dance. This event was attended by over three hundred Nobles and their Ladies, including the Potentate's official family of forty-five Officers and wives.

Following the dinner, introduction of guests and entertainment, the Aleppo Chanters gave a short concert under the direction of Noble Doctor Cyrus N. Thompson. Dancing by the music of the Danvers Rotary Club Orchestra was enjoyed from 9:30 to midnight.

In his address to the gathering, Illustrious Potentate McStay outlined the coming events of Aleppo and praised the Officers and Members of the Club for their outstanding work for Shrinedom. He said that although it was only two years since this club was chartered, it is one of the largest and most active in the jurisdiction. The Club, which covers the North Shore area, now has a membership of 478.

The second Club Visitation of the Potentate took place Tuesday, May 8, at the Red Feather Cottage, Salisbury, where the Newburyport Shrine Club held their Annual Potentate's Visitation and Ladies' Night. The program included a social hour at 6 P.M., followed by a roast beef dinner, entertainment and dancing by the Red Feather Orchestra. This Club covers the Newburyport and surrounding area and has a membership of 145.

The third Visitation took place on Wednesday, May 9, when the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts, one of our older Clubs which inaugurated Shrine Club's Annual Potentate's Night many years ago, gave a reception to Illustrious Potentate McStay at the Wamsutta Club, New Bedford, in the afternoon, and was attended by Illustrious Potentate McStay, his Divan, Past Potentates and Appointed Officers. Noble William Beserosky, President of the Shrine Club, who gave the reception, was assisted by Noble Cliff Sherman, Manager of the Wamsutta Club.

The evening program in the New Bedford Hotel was attended by nearly three hundred Nobles and included dinner, entertainment and distribution of door prizes which were contributed by Nobles of the Club. The Illustrious Potentate thanked Noble Beserosky for his splendid work for Shrinedom down through the years, he having been the organizer and first President when the Club was formed in 1928.

Potentate McStay was presented a monogrammed set of Wamsutta sheets and pillow cases by the Club as a memento of his Visitation to this Southeastern area.

The New Bedford Club has a membership of 492 and covers the Southeastern part of Massachusetts and Cape Cod.

The Merrimack Valley Shrine Club held their Annual Potentate's Visitation and Ladies' Night on Thursday, May 17, at the Crystal Ballroom — Shawsheen, Andover.

A reception was given to Illustrious Potentate McStay, who was accompanied by his Divan, Past Potentates, Appointed Officers and Ladies, followed by a dinner and introduction of guests.

An address by the Potentate was followed by an entertainment and dancing until midnight.

The Merrimack Valley Shrine Club covers the Lawrence, Lowell, Haverhill area and surrounding territory.

The newest and "baby" Shrine Club of Aleppo, the Charles River Valley Shrine Club, was visited by Illustrious Potentate McStay, his Divan, Past Potentates and Appointed Officers, and their Ladies, on Monday, April 2. This first Club function and Ladies' Night was held at the Marlboro Country Club, Marlboro, with over 100 Shriners and Ladies in attendance. The Potentate was very pleased with the success of this new Club which was formed during his term of office last year. The Club covers the Framingham, Natick, Needham and surrounding areas and at the present time has a membership of 125 Nobles.

FOR THEM A BRIGHTER WORLD

By Galloway Calhoun

Past Imperial Potentate

Chairman Board of Trustees

Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children

DEAR to the hearts of Shriners are our Hospitals, wherein we have ministered to more than 300,000 crippled children, without money or price, and without regard to race, color or creed. All of these have been either cured or materially benefited, and thousands of others, "in-and-out" patients, have been blessed by clinical treatments, braces and other artificial aids furnished them.

These children, crippled, deformed and horribly burned, literal shipwrecks on the sea of time, come crawling into our hospitals, and after months of tender, merciful treatment they go hopping and skipping out, able to play with their fellows and to take useful positions in life. **THINK OF IT** — 300,000 helpless dependent ones transformed into a mighty army of self-supporting citizens.

I wish everyone could realize the magnitude of the business of operating those hospitals and the multitude of services necessary for the children under our care. In our temples of mercy they receive the highest type of hospitalization, medical care, physical therapy and other necessary treatment. In addition, thereto, while mending their little bodies, trained nurses, schooled in psychology, minister to their little minds. School work, entertainment and occupational therapy are provided. Because of such loving care in these havens of hope, clouds of despair give way to rainbows of hope, heavy hearts are lightened and gloomy faces brightened by happy smiles. Carrying on this work which has grown until it has become the world's greatest philanthropy, has cost Shriners a staggering sum of money; but, oh! the joy they have derived from helping the most pathetic of all human beings . . . a handicapped crippled child, with no chance of having its broken body mended except in our temples of mercy.

In the Shrine, "our jewels are the castoff braces and abandoned crutches of boys and girls who need them no more." We glory in temples of baby smiles wherein every needy, crippled child is welcome. Our philosophy unite fellowship, friendship and a happy philosophy of life with the joy of doing good. Truly, we are writing history in the work we do for the men and women of tomorrow.

We are happy that our Shriners Hospitals have made America "Crippled Children Conscious" and that many charitable-minded friends are joining us in this glorious work. I am sure that all who have helped in any way find great joy in the words spoken by the world's greatest humanitarian when He said, "For inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me."

May God bless everyone who has aided this sacred cause.

NOTHING COULD BE FINER THAN TO BE A HAPPY SHRINER IN ALEPPO!

The Way to Happiness in the Shrine

- 1—Be an active member. Don't be the kind who just belong.
- 2—Attend meetings regularly.
- 3—Participate freely in all Shrine affairs and activities.
- 4—Affiliate with a uniformed unit or the committee that offers opportunities for service that are best suited to your talents and inclinations.
- 5—Work for the Shrine for the joy of bringing the benefits and privileges that accrue to Shriners into the lives of more and more members of the Masonic Fraternity.
- 6—And lest we forget: Those who work for the Shrine are also extending their efforts on behalf of the Shriners' hospital project. This is truly the modern counterpart of the Biblical Good Samaritan. Thousands of physically impaired youngsters are made whole annually. Others are benefited sufficiently to enable them to enjoy the blessing of life. Merely to be identified with this project is worth the cost of joining and belonging to the Shrine.

Be A Working Shriner and You'll Be A Happy Shriner
Sign Up A Candidate, or Several, Now.

New Shrine Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the country for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

SALUTING THE COLORS

When a Noble is wearing a Fez, it is not necessary for him to remove it when the Colors pass. It is part of his Shrine uniform. He should stand at attention, and when the Colors are within six paces at a point directly opposite his position, execute the right hand salute, holding it until after the Colors have passed and then drop the right arm to its normal position. In the event the Colors pass the same point more than once, as frequently happens at Ceremonials, it is not necessary to salute a second time.

WHERE DO WE FIT?

By the Rev. Dr. Paul Franklin Hudson,
Chaplain of Syria Temple

PICK up any periodical, listen to the newscast, eavesdrop on the corner conversation and you are aware that everyone is talking about the state of the world. It is good sense that there are concerned individuals. After all if the human beings who inhabit the world are not willing to think of their responsibility to it they are little better than animals. This world and all that is in it represent a created trust for human beings. Where do you fit into the scheme?

Some persons accept their position among men as a burden. They become as parasites. Their general apathy enables them to indulge in continued irresponsibility. Like mistletoe, they live from the endowments of others. Their lives may appear bright for a time, but when severed from their host, they die quickly. Any prowess of life which does not require effort and testing produces a weak race of men.

There are those whose focus on life is a misplaced one. To say that a miss is as good as a mile is to describe those who never quite arrive. Completeness is a mark of good living as well as a test of assignment. Unhappiness is more than a psychological phenomenon. Sometimes it is the result of half-lived lives based on half truth and semidelusion. The emphasis on one segment of life makes not only lopsided creatures, but it makes a lopsided perspective. Decent living comes from an all inclusive reflection upon all of those things which make life worth while. Each is analyzed and each is evaluated and all are represented in the mosaic of character.

But by the grace of that divinity which shapes us there are some who are not dazzled by the events of the world but are sobered by them and become dedicated to the prime purpose of keeping their sanity while they work. These we would like to believe are the heroes of tomorrow. They are the stalwarts on any battlefield of endeavor. These are the torchbearers of any new world which may come. Among them we think there are many of our own stripe and sympathy.

What does a Mason do to discharge his obligation to humanity? Where does he fit into the need for men who are more than the usual or the typical? What is his contribution to the problem of the world?

Unless the high ideals which we consent to through the obligations which we assume are reflected in the living and the thinking of our age we are hardly better than those who live by no ideals. Unless we fit ourselves into the world as contributors to its good and developers of its plans for hopefulness, we are parasites who live from the moral effects of others.

When the world acknowledges the re-birth of ideals and life as shown in the Resurrection, we ought to ask ourselves this question: "If one man did all of this for humanity, how can anyone of us in good conscience not try to do his best?"

GET A CANDIDATE FOR IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S CEREMONIAL JUNE 1, 1956

ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A SHRINER?

What more could you receive for only \$15.00 per year — just \$1.25 per month or 4c per day? The fun pageantry, circuses, picnics, shows, the display of our uniformed units, consisting of the Band, Chanters, Drum Corps, Directors Staff, Mounted Patrol, Oriental Band, Ritualistic Degree team, and the Shrine Clubs provide clean, wholesome fun for everyone.

But what is the purpose and the motivating force that thrills each of us? Is it not the fact that we belong to the greatest organization of its kind in the world and contribute our share in the joy of being a living part of our 17 great Temples of Mercy for Crippled Children?

THOSE WHO CAN PAY MUST NOT ENTER, AND THOSE WHO CAN NOT PAY MAY ENTER.

Through the greatest philanthropy on earth, little children are taken into these Temples of Mercy, regardless of race, creed, color or religion.

Read the following poem:

"And Now! See, I Can Walk!"

My legs were crooked — born that way,
I couldn't move around;
I'd never stood or walked.
Sometimes I'd crawl upon the ground.
They called it "an act of Providence,"
which has to be endured,
Anyway, the neighbors said,
such cases can't be cured.

But not my Ma! She used to say
that rich folks found a way
to straighten crippled children's legs,
so they could run and play.
"It don't seem fair that there's no hope,"
she'd say, "for boys like mine
Whose folks are poor!" And then one day,
she heard about the Shrine.

The Shriner's doctor saw my legs.
He didn't shake his head
Like most folks did. "We'll fix you
up as good as new," he said.
"We're awfully poor," said Ma. "It's
hard to pay for food and rent."
"Give us that boy," the Shriners said.
"It won't cost you one cent!"

They didn't ask about what church
we went to, or if any,
Or if we had some Shriner kin.
Their questions wasn't many.
They took me in. And then one day
the doctor said, "Well, son,
Let's try those new straight legs of yours
and see how well you've done."

I don't know how they did it —
I'm not much on doctor's talk;
I only know I used to crawl
— and now! See, I can walk;
I wonder why my mother cried
when I went home so straight
And fine! But through her tears
I heard her say, "God bless the Shrine!"

— By Dudley Glass, Atlanta, Ga.

CORRECTION

According to the records in Scotland, the two oldest Masonic Lodges in the world are listed as follows: Mother Kilwinning, No. 0, at Kilwinning, Scotland, Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1, (sometimes known as Mary's Chapel), at Edinburgh, Scotland.

ALEPPO TEMPLE

Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

Imperial Potentate's Ceremonial and Official Visitation

IN HONOR OF ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE

WALTER C. GUY

Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America

Friday, June 1, 1956

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

MECHANICS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS.

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AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

Enter at 99 Huntington Avenue for Afternoon Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 29, 1956 (two working days before the meeting)

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Nobles of Aleppo - No Charge — Visiting Nobles - \$2.00

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

Enter 99 Huntington Avenue

Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P.M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

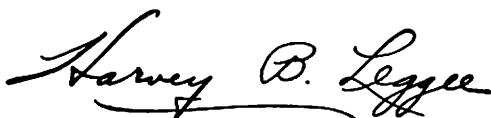
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INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES
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1956 CARD ADMITS YOU

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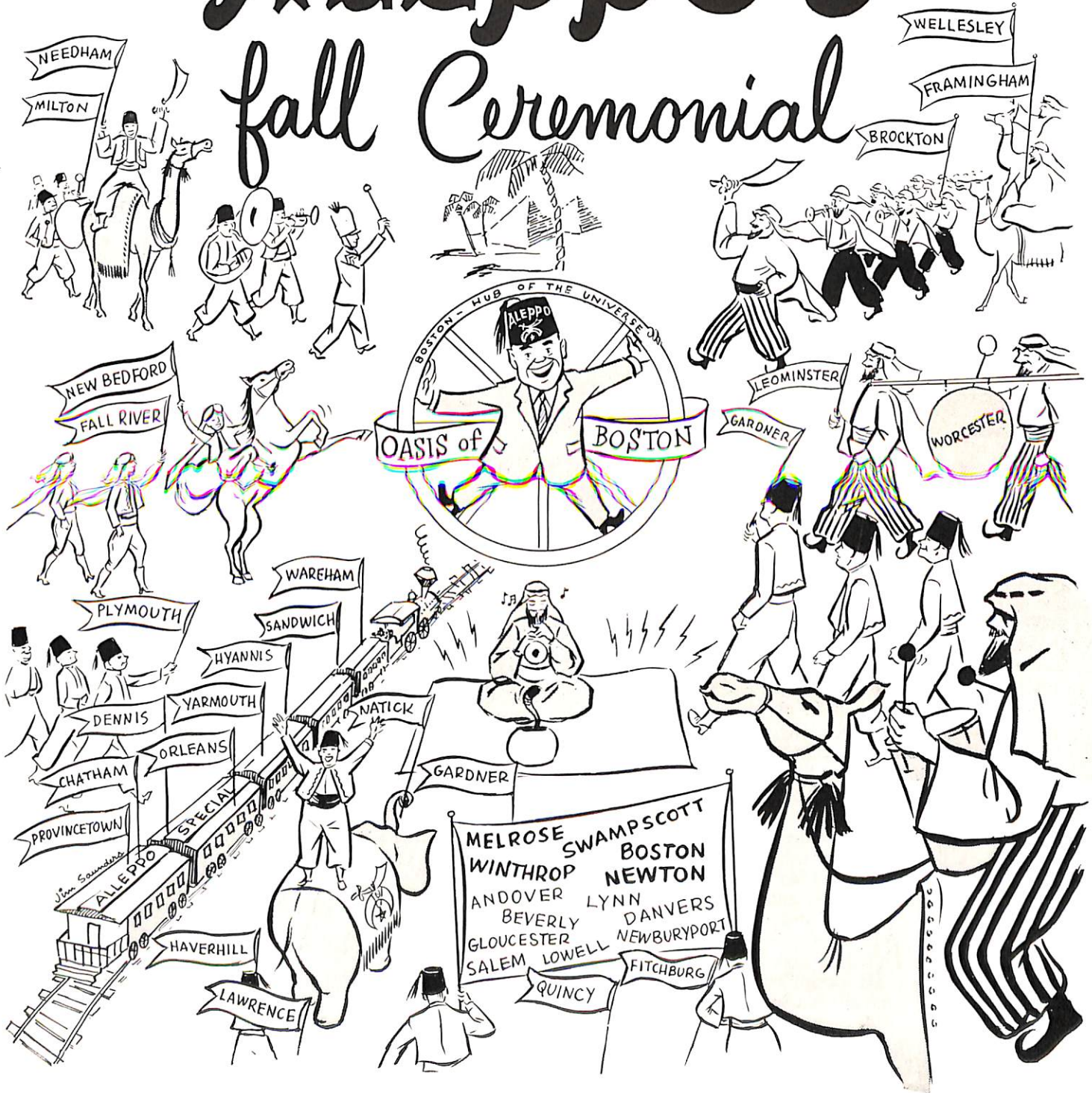


Illustrious Potentate

They're All Coming!

ALEPPO'S

fall Ceremonial



The Potentate's Message



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE HERMAN C. McSTAY

Dear Nobles:

It seems like a long time since our last big Ceremonial on June 1, followed the next evening by the colorful and mammoth All-Masonic Night at the Boston Garden.

This All-Masonic Night was another impressive event of Aleppo Temple in action. It was a worthy salute to all Massachusetts Masonry before a packed audience, whereas if we had the facilities, we surely could have had 45,000 to 50,000 Masons and their families in attendance. As it stands, it will go down in history as the biggest All-Masonic affair ever held in Boston and, for that matter, in all of New England.

Aleppo Temple has much to be proud of.

The Imperial Council Session in Detroit, the Family Picnic, Shrine Club Visitations, Baseball Games, trip to Europe, the Northeastern Shrine Association meeting in Portland, Maine, and many Blue Lodge and other visitations, brings your Potentate up to date.

The first big matter of business on the fall agenda is the one of Shrine membership. Our newly elected Imperial Potentate has sent out an urgent appeal for immediate action to bring in new members. Since 1946 the total membership of the Shrine has increased, but since that year our yearly gain has grown less and less. Masonic membership is at an all-time high and with our population increasing, we must accept our Imperial Sir's challenge to keep the Shrine abreast of the tide and maintain our rightful growth.

It is my earnest hope that every Noble will go forth and proudly "tell and sell" the magnificent story of Shrinedom so that Aleppo Temple will be in the front

rank in response to the Imperial Potentate's urgent appeal to bring in new members.

Both the York and Scottish Rites are taking in new candidates. The big Scottish Rite Class, honoring Illustrious Claude Leroy Allen, 33°, is being held on Saturday, November 17. Aleppo Temple is holding its Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, December 1. Please note that these dates are on a Saturday which, we believe, is the most convenient day for everyone. Furthermore, the arrangements of these dates will give you ample time to sign your candidate for Aleppo's December 1 Ceremonial.

This Ceremonial is dedicated to our Shrine Clubs and we are looking forward to plenty of "Hot Sands," action. Check your billfold to see that your 1956 Shrine card is on top, put on your Aleppo smile and head for the Mechanics Building, Saturday, December 1, 1956. And remember, to go ye forth and reconnoiter the vast Aleppo terrain. Find the desert dwellers who would espouse the Moslem cause and bring them to the oasis for the Ceremonial, where they may cement friendships as lasting as the pyramids.

We have every reason to be happy . . . make it contagious.

Aren't you proud to be a Shriner?

Yours for more Happiness and Sunshine,

Illustrious Potentate

ALEPPO TEMPLE

Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

BIG FALL CEREMONIAL

DEDICATED TO OUR SHRINE CLUBS

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SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1956 (two working days before the meeting)

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Nobles of Aleppo - No Charge — Visiting Nobles - \$2.00

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Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P.M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

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SECOND SECTION WORK BY DEGREE STAFF

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1956 CARD ADMITS YOU

WEAR YOUR FEZ

Attest:

Recorder

Illustrious Potentate

Your Positive Action Will Eliminate This Diminishing Trend!

Dear Noble:

I have just received a most urgent appeal from our newly elected Imperial Potentate regarding the vital subject of Shrine Membership trend. In this important communication, addressed to all Potentates, our Imperial Sir points out that while our total membership has shown a gain each year from 1946-1955 — these gains (with one exception) have grown LESS AND LESS.

1946 — Gain	53,598	1951 — Gain	27,240
1947 — “	45,103	1952 — “	25,982
1948 — “	39,292	1953 — “	28,622
1949 — “	31,961	1954 — “	21,740
1950 — “	28,500	1955 — “	21,135

To stop this alarming downward trend our Imperial Sir has proclaimed a tremendous crusade for thousands of additional new members. He admonishes all Potentates to alert their Nobility and to sound the battle cry to SELL SHRINEDOM AS IT HAS NEVER BEEN SOLD BEFORE. As Potentate of Aleppo Temple, I call upon you to join me in accepting his challenge to beat back this diminishing gain trend.

While it is a tremendous job to which we must dedicate all our resources of salesmanship — the elements are in our favor.

OUR PRODUCT — is the World’s Greatest Fraternal Organization.

PROSPERITY — is here — good times prevail — money is available, and is being spent for the better things of life.

OUR MARKET — is tremendous. Out of approximately 128,000 Blue Lodge Masons in Massachusetts, there are between 75,000 and 100,000 in Aleppo’s jurisdiction, all of whom are excellent prospects for the Shrine, if we will only tell them our story.

It is incumbent that we reach our market — these 100,000 potential prospects. To do so WE MUST ALL DO OUR PART by visiting OUR BLUE LODGES and urging our Masonic friends to take the beautiful pre-requisite degrees and then join the Shrine. Now is the time to get that York Rite or Scottish Rite petition in their hands! (Get petitions from our Recorder.) The Market is here! Prosperity is with us! We have the Product!

How well we do it — how persuasively we keep at it and how skillfully we sell Shrinedom will determine what our Shrine membership is to be. I know you will do your part so that Aleppo Temple will respond to the Imperial Potentate’s challenge with a tremendous and far-reaching membership gain. Your positive and enthusiastic action will aid materially in reversing this diminishing trend!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Herman C. McStay

Illustrious Potentate

1956 ALEPPO TEMPLE PERSONNEL

DIVAN — APPOINTED OFFICERS

ELECTED DIVAN

HERMAN C. McSTAY.....POTENTATE
GEORGE A. WEEKS.....CHIEF RABBAN
EDGAR L. TURNER.....ASSISTANT RABBAN
FREDERIC B. DUNCAN.....HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET
FRANCIS R. SAGLE.....ORIENTAL GUIDE
JUSTIN A. DUNCAN, P.P.....TREASURER
HARVEY B. LEGGEE.....RECORDER

PAST POTENTATES

Ill. Clarence J. McKenzie
Ill. Harry G. Pollard
Ill. James J. Curry
Ill. Robert G. Wilson, Jr.
Ill. Willard P. Lombard
Ill. Arthur A. Sondheim
Ill. Justin A. Duncan
Ill. Frank B. Ells
Ill. N. Russell Lynn
Ill. Lawson W. Oakes
Ill. Arthur G. MacKenzie
Ill. Gerald F. Zedren

TEMPLE OFFICERS

George B. Rowell.....First Ceremonial Master
James C. Bayley.....Second Ceremonial Master
Alfred C. Sandberg.....Director
Walter W. Benson.....Marshal
William A. Odell.....Captain of the Guard
Cecil C. Marble.....Outer Guard
Frank B. Ells, P.P.....Assistant Treasurer

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Whitfield W. Johnson.....Grand Lodge Representative
Claude L. Allen.....Scottish Rite Representative
Mortimer W. Schroeder.....York Rite Representative
Willard P. Lombard, P.P.....Order of DeMolay Representative
Rev. Thomas Sherrard Roy, D.D.....Past Imperial Chaplain
Alfred C. Blake.....Inner Guard
Ragnar Fridolin.....Major, Arab Patrol
Walter M. Smith.....Band Conductor & Instructor
Reginald M. Cunningham.....Captain, Mounted Patrol
Earl R. Weidner.....Director, Chanters
Clarence Young.....Director, Oriental Band
Louis F. Salerno, M.D.....Chief Surgeon
Clarence Bohanon.....Steward
Raymond A. Phillips.....Director of Ceremonial
Reginald F. Goldsworthy.....Director Ritualistic Team
Charles P. Nicoll.....Hospitaler
William J. Shannon.....Aide to Imperial Officer
Frank W. Benvie }
Harold A. Budreau }Adjutants
F. Raymond McPherson }
Orrin J. Petrie.....Transportation Officer
Earl R. Barnard.....Public Relations
Charles R. Gunnarson.....Assistant Marshal
Albert A. Saunders.....Band Manager
Joseph W. Marshall.....Manager of Chanters
Robert N. Nordstrom.....Musical Director, Oriental Band

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ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR., P.I.P. (Ad Vitam)
WILLARD P. LOMBARD, P.P. (Appointed)
HARVEY B. LEGGEE, Emeritus
Herman C. McStay
Edgar L. Turner
George A. Weeks
Gerald F. Zedren, P.P.

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ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, P.I.P.
Herman C. McStay
N. Russell Lynn, P.P.

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Frank B. Ells, P.P.
Arthur A. Sondheim, P.P.
(Comptroller for Finance Committee)

“Imperial Potentate’s Message”

Dear Nobles:

During the past ten years you have known me, or known of me, as a Master Mason, as a member of the Prerequisite Bodies and as a Shriner. You knew me then to be as I am today. Then and now . . . with a compassionate attitude toward the problems induced by the frailties of mankind.

I am proud to have been honored by the acceptance of almost 800,000 Nobles of the Mystic Shrine as their Imperial Potentate. I know I have an exacting job that will demand from me a maximum of ability and judgment, requiring moral strength and unswerving devotion to the principles of Masonry, the Prerequisite Bodies, and the Imperial Code of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Mystic Shrine. This solid platform of performance is sound, fair and reasonable and this leadership and its responsibilities are related and understood by all of us.

Our organization is not too large to have complete unity, to have harmony and charity of thought and action for our fellow Shriners. It is not too unwieldy that we cannot have an efficient and businesslike administration in all affairs that may come to the attention of the Imperial Council.

We have unity in our hearts and in our enthusiasm for the World’s Greatest Philanthropy . . . our Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. This is easily understandable; this unity comes from within ourselves and is predicated by unselfishness and a sincere desire to help, regardless of race, creed or color.

This is not a cry into the wilderness, but a personal request by me of each Noble of the Shrine to weigh carefully the teachings we have learned in Masonry and Shrinedom.

I appreciate this great honor, Nobles, but I am still “one of the boys”; I shall continue to hobnob with the grass roots of Shrinedom. I shall be your leader for a year and shall seek your advice and counsel.

GERALD D. CRARY
Imperial Potentate

SHRINERS’ TOURS
1957 IMPERIAL PILGRIMAGES

THE Imperial Potentate has announced two Imperial Shrine Pilgrimages . . . to the West Indies in February, and to the “Paradise of the Pacific, Hawaii” in April, 1957, and invites all Shriners, their ladies and friends to participate in these cruises with him and his official family.

The February cruise will be on the luxury liner, *Ile de France*, of the French Line, sailing from New York February 1, 1957. This cruise will include stops at Martinique, Grenada, Trinidad, Venezuela, Curacao, Panama Canal Zone and Cuba. A special program has been arranged for meeting and entertaining the Shriners in Panama by the officers and Nobles of Abou Saad Temple.

The regal *Lurline*, of the Matson Line, will sail from San Francisco, April 20, for Hawaii, where the Shriners will be entertained by Aloha Temple of Honolulu. The Royal Hawaiian Hotel will be the home of the Shrine group during their stay in Honolulu. The local Shriners are making arrangements for special features, sight-seeing and entertainment for the enjoyment of the Shrine group. The return trip to San Francisco will be on May 13.

The Imperial Potentate, Illustrious Noble Gerald D. Crary, is desirous to meet as many of our Nobles and their ladies on these cruises as possible. This is an opportunity for Shriners throughout North America to meet new friends and get acquainted personally with our Imperial Potentate, his officers, and other Nobles.

For information and reservations, write to the Imperial Cruise Director, Don B. Albertsen, Albertsen Cruise-Tours, 26 O’Farrell Street, San Francisco 8, California.

“FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS”

Free

Free to meet when and where, as we please.
Free to express our opinions as freely in the presence of dignitaries as in the presence of the humblest citizen.
Free to express by our ballot our choice of the administrators of our government.
Free to criticize adversely those whom we have placed in office regardless of rank or station.
Free agents and masters of our own actions.
Free, if prepared in heart, from the dominion of passion, prejudice, false pride, and the follies of human nature.

Accepted

Accepted as a builder of character as distinguished from an operative or stone mason.
Accepted as an enlightened speculative Mason, to whom has been entrusted the esoteric mysteries of the Fraternity.
Accepted into an ancient and honorable Institution that guards its honor so carefully that none are “entered” except by unanimous ballot after due investigation of his past and present behavior.
Accepted into a band of friends and brothers with the privilege and charged with the duty of advancing respect for, and reliance on, the Supreme Architect of the Universe, ameliorating the suffering of humanity, realizing that in his collective capacity he can do much, but not forgetting his individual responsibility.

Mason

A man whose word is his bond.
A man whose ear is open to hear the cry of distress, whose eye penetrates sham and deceit, whose feet are swift to run errands of mercy, and whose hand supports the failing brother.
A man who eschews evil, and clings to the good.
A man subject to the faults and foibles of human nature, but whose desire is to do good and to show mercy.

— **Masonic News**

Imagination was given man to compensate him for what he is *not* — and a *sense of humor* was provided to console him for what he *is*.

We should be thankful for the things we do not get as well as for the things we do get.

AN AVERAGE NOBLE!

WE DIDN'T paint the word-picture which follows, wish we had; nor do we know who did it . . . but we call it a rather competent piece of word-smithing.

The most interesting person in the world is the average Noble. The average Noble is 39 around the chest, 40 around the waist, 96 around the golf course and a nuisance around the house.

He gets up first in the morning, is second at the morning newspaper, third in the bathroom and practically misses the bus to town. He wears a conventional gray or brown suit with a white shirt, but always thought he'd be at his best in a checkered suit with a dark flannel shirt and bright red tie. He passes up the French-fried potatoes and hot rolls at lunch and then eats mince pie to bridge the gap. He can hit two quail out of five shots, catches an occasional fish, plays poker once a month, opens with a large pair, bluffs when he is a winner and doesn't like conversation when he is a loser. He complains about taxes, shortages of labor, and politics. He has a favorite football team but will take the other team and fourteen points.

He drinks three cups of coffee a day, has bacon four days a week, likes his toast hot and is always going to clean out the garage some Saturday afternoon.

He has three false teeth, five fillings, a small cavity and needs a haircut.

He shaves once a day with an extra thrown in on appropriate occasions.

He contributes regularly to the support of his pastor, congressman, poker friends and many others who are not mentioned in his income tax return. He takes reducing exercises regularly three days in a row sometimes, and holds his stomach in when people look like they are going to tell him he is getting fat.

He wears the ties people give him for Christmas and knows some stories about the same color.

He can't remember much about The Lady of the Lake or Julius Caesar, but can do a complete rendition of The Face on the Barroom Floor and Our Nell.

He reads mystery stories and doesn't peek into the back of the book to see how they come out. He likes certain pictures no matter who painted them, and he couldn't tell you for the life of him what Mrs. So-and-So wore at the dance. And it is quite likely he couldn't remember what his own wife wore at the same shindig. He needs a new dinner jacket and there's a rip in his hunting coat that has been there for sixteen years. He is supposed to live to be 74, had pains at 22, should have been shot at 30, and feels fine at 48. He has a few sparrows in his attic, termites in the flooring and mice in the pantry, but what the heck?

He is going to buy a small farm some day, just outside of town, and live there — and do a part of the work himself. He's too old to join the army, too young to enjoy social security and too lazy to exercise down to his proper weight. You can meet him every day of the week in the bank, in the store, the office, on the street and in front of a mirror. He's a regular guy — and you ought to know him better.

DON'T SALT AWAY ALEPPO'S REPUTATION — ADVERTISE IT!

AS A Shriner you are a member of a fraternity who by example proudly proclaims — that Truth and Justice are fundamental to an enduring social order — that Love is the greatest thing in the World! That it alone can overcome Hate: that Right will triumph over Might.

As a Shriner you are a member of a fraternity who by example has dedicated its existence to good wholesome fellowship and to a tremendous humanitarianism.

As a Shriner you are a member of a fraternity who by example demonstrates that the rendering of useful service is a Noble's common duty and that in the fire of self-sacrifice is selfishness consumed.

Ours is a product that is all good. It's a product that is world famous — but it must be sold. Our product has a splendid REPUTATION — BUT LET'S NOT KEEP IT A SECRET. Reputation is a perishable product. Reputation is also a maintenance problem. Reputation is not something to salt away for future use. It is a live and growing plant, requiring day to day nourishment and care — so let's advertise our reputation to Knights Templar, to 32° Scottish Rite Masons.

Let's sell Shrinedom — so we can keep pace with population growth and Masonic Membership increase.

Let's sell Shrinedom — remembering that more Nobles mean more fellowship, more tolerance and more human affection.

Let's sell Shrinedom — so that hundreds more underprivileged crippled children will be able to enter our great hospitals.

Let's sell Shrinedom — so we can maintain the American Way, with its skills, its capital, its opportunities and its will to accomplish.

Let's sell Shrinedom — so that we can protect the American freedoms we love, and the vastly superior products we enjoy.

Let's sell Shrinedom — so that Shrinedom and our Temple can continue to rise to new and greater heights of glorious achievement.

- THE RULE OF THREE**
- Three things to govern:
 - temper, tongue, conduct.
 - Three things to love:
 - courage, gentleness, affection.
 - Three things to hate:
 - cruelty, arrogance, ingratitude.
 - Three things to wish for:
 - health, friends and a cheerful spirit.
 - Three things to fight for:
 - honor, country, home.
 - Three things to think about:
 - life, death, eternity.
- Anon.

MASSACHUSETTS MASONRY CONGRATULATES ALEPPO!

The following letters were received by Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay after the big Masonic event at the Boston Garden, June 2, 1956, in which Aleppo Temple was host to all of Massachusetts Masonry:

From the Grand Lodge

Please accept my profound personal and official gratitude for the splendid generosity of Aleppo Temple in making possible the magnificent tribute to Freemasonry which we shared with you last Saturday night at the Boston Garden.

You may be sure that as Grand Master I was profoundly proud of those members of the Craft who by their membership make the activities of Aleppo Temple possible.

I hope that you will express to the uniformed units my personal appreciation for the care and patience necessary to work out the intricate manoeuvres which they presented, particularly the ones having personal significance.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Gratefully and sincerely yours,
WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON,
Grand Master

From the Grand Royal Arch Chapter

In behalf of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, and on my own behalf, may I extend to you congratulations upon a most successful and outstanding Masonic event held in Boston Gardens on June 2, 1956.

Aleppo Temple can be justly proud of its Potentate and all of the officers and uniformed units and all others who participated in or had a part in the planning of this great event.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts is deeply grateful for the cordial invitation extended to us to participate in this event. I assure you that it was a great personal thrill to me to be received in the presence of some 15,000 persons in the Garden on that evening, and your cordial and hospitable reception to me will be long remembered.

In my opinion, all branches of Masonry can be justly proud that they had an opportunity to have taken part in this outstanding Masonic event.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely and Fraternally,
HENRY F. SMITH,
Grand High Priest

IN THE MATTER OF FRIENDSHIP

ALL that can be expected of any man is to make the best use of the things that are within his power. Only the contented man is rich; so we must look for the things that bring contentment and first of these is to find a friend; and if you find two friends you are indeed a lucky man; and if you find three friends—real friends — then you are a rich and powerful man. In prosperity it is easy to find a friend, but in adversity it is most difficult of all things. No matter how small a man's means may be, if he gives of what he has to his friend it is the same as if it was a great amount. A man's pleasures are insured by sharing them with a friend and his griefs are reduced by securing the sympathy of a friend. The counsel of a friend is the best counsel because it will be true advice; for, when received from a mere acquaintance, it may be so filled with flattery that its value will be destroyed, and faithful and true counsel rarely comes excepting from the true friend.

It is said that in youth we have visions and in old age dreams, and the vision and the dream may give us an ideal of perfection; but experience and large contact with men compel us to accept the man who measures in his virtues only to the substantial average. If we view a man as a whole and find him good as a friend, we must not be diverted from the happy average — the everyday, human average — by using a magnifying glass upon his faults or frailties. We must, in order to have and hold a friend, accept him as he is, demanding but one thing in return for our affection — his fidelity.

From the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters

I want you to know that all the Grand Officers of our Grand Council appreciate very much the fraternal and kindly greeting extended to them by you as the Illustrious Potentate of Aleppo Temple Shrine. The mammoth affair will live long in our memories, the credit for which goes to you who undertook this masterful production.

We all know much good will come to all Masonry for such an outpouring of enthusiasm as engendered by the Shrine. Please accept my own personal thanks for receiving me in such a gracious manner.

With kind regards and best wishes,

Fraternally and zealously yours,
FRANK H. WILSON,
Grand Master

From the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars

I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks to you and Aleppo Temple for the courtesy extended to the Grand Commandery Officers, ladies and members of the Constituent Commanderies to participate in the “ALL MASONIC NIGHT” sponsored by Aleppo Temple in the Boston Garden on June 2, 1956.

This certainly was an outstanding night for Masonry and for Templary, which we as Templars are vitally interested in.

Thanking you again, I am

Courteously yours,
M. W. SCHROEDER,
Grand Commander

From the Supreme Council, A. A. Scottish Rite

Just a line to congratulate you on the wonderful success of your All Masonic Festival last Saturday evening, and to thank you for your courtesies to me and the Scottish Rite.

Everyone I have seen who had the privilege of being there has been most enthusiastic about the whole program and the efficiency shown in carrying it out strictly on schedule. I thought it was a splendid demonstration of Masonry in all its branches.

Cordially and fraternally,
CLAUDE L. ALLEN,
Deputy for Massachusetts

SHRINERS' CAPE COD SPECIAL

THE Nobles from the Cape Cod area have again made arrangements with the New Haven Railroad for a “Budd Shoreliner” to transport the Cape Shriners to and from our big Fall Ceremonial on Saturday, December 1, 1956.

The Shriners on Cape Cod have found this means of transportation very convenient and allows them an opportunity to relax and visit during the trip on Ceremonial days. The New Haven has also made arrangements to have coffee and sandwiches available on the return trip to the Cape for the Nobles who would like to have a late evening snack.

Arrangements for the “Cape Cod Special” are under the supervision of the Potentate's Ambassador, Eugene Cole of Hyannis, who announced the following schedule for Nobles who wish to board the “Iron Camel”:

<i>Read down to BOSTON</i>		<i>Read up to ORLEANS</i>
12:45 P.M.	Orleans	1:00 A.M.
12:52 P.M.	Pleasant Bay	12:50 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	South Dennis	12:40 A.M.
1:30 P.M.	Yarmouth	12:10 A.M.
1:35 P.M.	Barnstable	12:05 A.M.
1:42 P.M.	Sandwich	11:58 P.M.
1:50 P.M.	Buzzards Bay	11:50 P.M.
3:05 P.M.	Boston, South Station	10:40 P.M.
3:15 P.M.	Back Bay	10:30 P.M.



OUR NEW IMPERIAL OUTER GUARD of the Imperial Council is Illustrious Noble Charles E. Merrill, Past Potentate of Moslem Temple of Detroit. He was elected to this office at the 1956 Imperial Council Session in Detroit and will ascend the Imperial Ladder, eventually becoming our Imperial Potentate.

BILL OF DUTIES FOR FREE MEN

GUARD all the freedoms of democracy as you guard your life, but never forget that to abuse them is to destroy them.

Don't ask government to do anything you can do for yourself. The bigger the government, the smaller the people.

Don't rely on somebody else to do your thinking for you. Democracy demands mental alertness from those who deserve to have it.

Protect your right to be governed by men of your choice by choosing them with the same care that you do your friends.

Protect your own right to be wrong by a decent respect for the opinions of others.

Strive for new ways to spread the benefits and ownership of our industrial democracy and to give every one a greater sense of participation and accomplishment.

Remember that a classless society is the essence of democracy. A class struggle is its mortal enemy.

Heed the rule of democracy that it works best from the bottom up. When it works well at the community level it will function smoothly at the top.

Remember that change and experiment are the foods on which democracy thrives. But don't renounce proven good for a glib promise.

Remember that the bargain counter days for democracy are over, and that our democracy is on display before a questioning world. Each of us is its custodian.

TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR SHRINE CARD

YOUR current Shrine Card is the "open sesame" to Shrine events whenever and wherever they may be held . . . but it must be for the current year. It is surprising how many Nobles will overlook the payment of their current dues and suddenly find, to their dismay, that they are still carrying last year's card.

Take a look at your Shrine Card, Noble, and if your face is red to find that it is not for 1956, just send in your check for current dues (together with our Dues Invoice) and we will take care of the rest. Your 1956 card will be forwarded to you immediately.

The 1956 Shrine Card is necessary for admission to the December 1st Ceremonial.

**WHAT IT TAKES TO
MAKE A SHRINE CIRCUS SUCCESSFUL**

IT TAKES kids, grownups, performers, and men who are willing to work with only the compensation of a job well done. Their reward is the warmth men feel in their hearts and souls for having given so generously of time and effort so that youngsters in the community may enjoy a circus they otherwise would never see.

The success of this project must be measured by those who attend. The only realistic yardstick we have to know how much may be realized financially, and how well received our Circus might be, is by those who attend, pay the price of admission, and go away satisfied.

Our annual Circus is the Temple's largest outside activity of the year. It gives all Shriners a chance to participate — in attendance, or serving as good will public relations agents for the Shrine, talking up Circus activity to everyone each Noble may come in contact with, in order to build that tremendous amount of enthusiasm so necessary for all ventures of this type to be successful. Every Shriner can take part in the circus activity to help get crowds to the door so that we may indeed have an outstanding promotion for Aleppo's Mighty Circus With a Purpose.

DO YOUR FULL PART — SELL YOUR TICKETS

USE THEM For Yourself
Your Family
Your Neighbors

SELL THEM To Your Friends
Contributors
Circus Lovers

GIVE THEM To Less Privileged Children

**THAT'S FUN WITH A HEART
A CIRCUS WITH A PURPOSE**

SEE YOU THERE
Everyone from 5 to 95

IT'S BIG . . . BIGGER THAN EVER
Your Support Should Be Big —
BIGGER THAN EVER

Get Behind the Circus and Push
Boost Shrinedom's Boston Circus

"SUFFER LITTLE CHILDREN"

I'm just a li'l cripple boy as you can plainly see,
My daddy's gone to heaven where someday I hope to go
But how I'd love to run and play while I am here below.
I've never had a chance to hop and skip like other little boys
I never could play ball or swim or play with tinker toys.
My Momee says to keep from frettin' 'cause I can't run and climb

But gee, a feller gets so tired just sittin' all the time.
I know my Momee gets real sad and shuts her lips so tight
Her eyes just seem to look way off and her face gets, oh so white.
I know she's thinkin' of the time when God might call her home
And I might be without her down here all alone.
Sometimes my Momee takes me up — her arm beneath my head
And rocks me quite a little while 'fore we go to bed.
She doesn't say a single word but I can feel her pray
And tears come to her pretty eyes I wipe 'em all away;
I put my hand up to her face — she likes me to know — and say,
That God will let her stay with me another day.
My Momee cheers right up and says come, sonny, let's not whine.
'Cause she's the one who really knows how tired I am most time.
Today the nicest letter came — I'm happy as can be
My Momee cried and then she smiled and looked with joy at me.
You're going to a hospital son, the one built by the Shrine,
They're going to straighten you all out and fix you up so fine.
I'm just as happy as can be — I'm singin' thru and thru
If you were going where I am — why you'd be happy too.
The Shriners said some day real soon that I could run and climb,
**THEY KNOW HOW TIRED A FELLER GETS JUST SIT-
TIN' ALL THE TIME.**

NOBLES, HAVE YOU JOINED THE 1956 CIRCUS DADDY CLUB?

This Year
is our
12th Big
SHRINE CIRCUS
AT BOSTON GARDEN
FRI. NOV. 16 WEEK END
AND
FRI. NOV. 23 WEEK END

3 forenoons 6 matinees
2 Evenings (Fridays)

N.B. Bring your own family.
Aleppo officers and uniformed
bodies appear Friday nights Nov.
16 and 23, Saturday p.m. Nov.
17 and Sunday p.m. Nov. 18.



*"If Just One Helpless Child
Should Smile,—
You'll Count Your Helping Hand
Worth While"*

Let's Celebrate
by sending another
20,000 less privileged
CHILDREN to the
SHRINE CIRCUS

FOR EVERY COUPON YOU
PURCHASE AND RETURN
WE TAKE TWO KIDDIES AS
"YOUR GUESTS"

**BE A DADDY TO
A LESS PRIVILEGED
CHILD**

We place on our Honor Roll the
name of every Noble who pur-
chases AT LEAST 5 coupons for
the kiddies and mails us the
same, with check.

DADDY CLUB LIST NUMBER 1

NAMES ARE PRINTED IN ORDER RECEIVED AND CHECKED TO OCTOBER 18, 1956

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K. Anderson | H. E. Bergquist
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